## UN Dilemma: Relieving Bosnian Suffering Prolongs the War

By John Pomfret

Washington Post Service VISOKO, Bosnia-Herzegovina serpentine road deep in the mountains of central Bosnia, United Nations earthmovers and road graders smoothed and widened an icy passageway, cutting a highway where there once was a dirt track. A Canadian soldier operating a giant backhoe learned out of his cab and yelled at a passer-by: "We'se doing this so people won't starve."

His AK-47 automatic rifle slung over his boulder, a Bosnian Muslim soldier stood

ankle-deep in mud and watched. "This will help us a lot," he said, nodding at the expand-ing artery. "This will make fighting a little

This picture of UN diligence clashing with The first UN relief convoys in four weeks have reached central Bosnia. Page 5.

Bosnian ingenuity highlights a dilemma, se-nior UN officials say. If the UN operation continues to sustain some 2 million people this winter, it is bound to prolong a war that has left 250,000 people dead or missing and driven more than a million from their homes.

Roads improved by the United Nations to ease access for food and medical convoys will also make it easier for the three Bosnian factions to move troops and guns. Much of the UN aid, meant for women and children. will end up in the stomachs of gunmen. Fuel for hospitals and power stations will be siphoned into military vehicles.

UN provisions will bolster the flimsy econnes of all three factions. UN aid is for sale in any town in Bosnia. If such supplies did

not exist, many Western officials here say, pressure could mount for the three sides to sue for peace.

Without the UN operation, Bosnian warlords and local toughs, responsible for a good degree of the fighting, would lose large chunks of cash. They could no longer sell places on lists of UN-supervised population

UN officials, from aid workers to high-ranking officers, say they would tolerate these breaches if, in the end, the aid got through, if the warring factions and the world

get the job done.
"We hasically shouldn't be here," said a senior officer in the UN Protection Force in Bosnia. "The reason is that the internation: community hasn't got the guts to do one of two things — admit that this is a failure and get out, or give us the men, the mandate and the backing to stop the fighting and force a

"Yes, we are fueling the war because a lot of that food and fuel goes to the militias," See BOSNIA, Page 5

### U.S. and EC **Seem to End** Stalemate on Trade Accord

'Viable Alternatives' Are Discussed, Raising Hopes for a GATT Deal

By Tom Buerkle

BRUSSELS - The United States and the European Community appear to have broken out of their long stalemate over trade during-meetings in Washington early this week, raising bopes that a global trade settlement can be achieved by next month's deadline, officials on both sides said Wednesday.

An intensive series of talks Monday and Tuesday between Mickey Kantor, the U.S. trade representative, and his EC counterpart, Sir Leon Brittan, failed to produce breakthroughs on agriculture, movies, aircraft or other key trade disputes, U.S. and European officials said. But for the first time, both sides abandoned their posturing on the issues and "they envisaged an accord," said Peter Guil-

ford, a spokesman for Sir Leon.

Mr. Kantor said he had discussed "viable alternatives" for reaching a settlement with Sir Leon, and he agreed to go to Brussels for further negotiations on Dec. 1 and 2.

The timing was a nod to European political needs. EC foreign ministers will meet here Dec. 2 to review progress on the trade talks at the behest of France, which fears Washington will try to impose a take-it-or-leave-it offer on Europe on the eve of the Dec. 15 deadline,

Before next week's meeting, U.S. and EC echnical officials plan to work virtually nonstop in Washington to draw up the outline of a settlement. Mr. Kantor and Sir Leon made enough progress that lower-level officials "can start working on the language" of an agreement, said Diane Wildman, a spokeswoman for

Mr. Kantor stressed that the United States and Europe needed to resolve their differences quickly if the Uruguay Round of global trade talks being held under the auspices of the Gen-eral Agreement on Tariffs and Trade was to be successfully concluded. He indicated that other countries should improve their market-opening offers in the talks and not try to hide behind the U.S.-EC differences.

Andrew Stoler, the deputy U.S. representa-tive to GATT in Geneva, said that if the United States and the Community did not make progress, "certain other countries like Korea and Japan will get off the hook."

Although the talks in Washington achieved no agreement on any specific items, officials said both sides put all their major issues on the table and gave the clearest indication yet of their bottom-line needs. That should make it easier to find trade-offs and compromises that will be needed to reach an overall agreement,

"It has to all be interrelated and deal with all

issues," Mr. Stoler said.
Reaching such a settlement will not be easy, though, as sbown by a cautious French reaction

to the Washington talks. A Foreign Ministry spokeswoman, Catherine Colonna, said the talks made no advance on France's major concerns: agriculture, protec-See GATT, Page 5

### Beijing to Cede Ownership Of 100 Major State Firms

New York Times Service BELJING - China's Communist leaders will select 100 of the country's large state-owned factories next year and whisper in the ears of the factory managers words that have been considered heresy during more than four de-cades of communism: "You own this."

The experiment is China's largest attempt so far to reform the system of state-owned enterprises that still dominates its economy. If it is successful, the experiment in ownership is to be extended within three to five years to all 11,000 of China's medium-sized and large industries, a

senior official said Wednesday.

The official Lu Yonghua, deputy director of the State Commission for Economic Restrucnuring, said in an interview that the experiment had been approved during the meeting of the Communist Party Central Committee from Nov. 11 to 14 but had not been disclosed in the committee's 16,000-word report.

"Next year, 100 enterprises will be chosen as a pilot project to conduct the program." Mr. Lu said. His commission, along with the State Economic and Trade Commission, will supervise the experiment. Both agencies report di-rectly to China's 13-member State Council, which is led by Prime Minister Li Peng.

Many details of the program remain unclear, and the list of 100 state firms has yet to be disclosed. But Mr. Lu said the plan was to select enterprises that the government believed were most likely to become profitable, and to put

To do this, he said, the government must take the burden of social welfare from these state corporations, which now run schools, hospitals and other "cradle-to-grave" services for their

Then, he said, the state would set a value on assets that over the years had been accumulated

This value would then represent the state's "investment" in the enterprise, transforming the state's position from that of an all-powerful commissar directing every move to that of a Western style investing partner whose responsibility and exposure are no greater than the value of its investment.

Under a new law, corporate owners of the formerly state-owned factories would assume full responsibility for the success or failure of the businesses. Failure and bankruptcy could be more common under the new law, Mr. Lu said that more than one-third of China's state enterprises regularly operate at a loss, and a further one-third barely break even,

But, he said, many of the unprofitable enterprises, if relieved of their social-welfare bur-

dens, might be able to compete.

"At present, if the state enterprises were forced to compete in the international market." Mr. Lu said, "they would all go bankrupt."
The state's liability no longer would be the See CHINA, Page 21

### Clinton's Shift on North Korea: **More Carrot and Less Stick**

Los Angeles Times Service
WASHINGTON — The subtle shift taken toward North Korea by the Clinton adminis-tration and the South Korean government this week represents a carefully qualified victory for doves over hawks in a debate over what to do

about North Korea's nuclear program.

The ultimate issue in the debate extends far beyond the nuclear program itself to the future of the North Korean regime of President Kim II Sung. Senior intelligence analysts believe that North Korea now views the nuclear-weapons program as the key to its survival.

And the outcome could affect nonprolifera-

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tion policy elsewhere as the United States tries to prevent other governments from acquiring weapons of mass destruction.

No one on either side of the foreign-policy dispute advocates the use of military force against North Korea. The question is not whether to choose force or negotiations, as it was in Viemam. Rather, the issue is more like the Cold War arguments between liberals and conservatives about the Soviet Union -whether to accept the regime as a valid, long-term ocgotiating partner or to challenge and undermine it in any way possible.

The hawks have argued that the United States and its allies should confront Pyongyang with sanctions and military exercises, in hopes that it will be forced to spend more money and will be so economically strapped that it col-

By offering "carrots" such as possible diplo-matic recognition and economic aid, the hawks

say, Washington and Scoul are merely keeping the North Korean regime alive, enabling it to both threaten its neighbors and help other dan-

gerous regimes around the world. The Cimton administration put its new approach to the test on Wednesday when American officials conferred privately with Ho Jong. North Korea's deputy chief representative at the United Nations. Though details of the talks were not immediately disclosed, it was assumed the Americans provided details of the new approach of diplomatic engagement that President Bill Clinton disclosed on Tuesday.

James R. Lilley, a scholar at the American Enterprise Institute and a longtime CIA official who served as ambassador to Scoul and Beijing,

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CAMBODIAN PLEDGE — A group of former Khmer Rouge guerrillas pledging allegiance to the new Cambodian government on Wednesday at Dey Ethy, near Phnom Penh. The soldiers were part of 2,000 guerrillas who defected to the central government.

### 2 British Boys Guilty of Killing Toddler

By William E. Schmidt
New York Times Service

PRESTON, England - Two chubbyecked 11-year-old boys were found guilty on Wednesday of the brutal murder last win-ter of 2-year-old James Bulger, the Liverpool loddler whose abduction from his mother's side and savage battering at the hands of two other children horrified Britain.

Judge Michael Moreland of the Crown Court sentenced the boys to serve a term of indefinite detention—the only penalty available under British law for subjects so young

— and expressed the view they would spend "very, very many years" in confinement be-fore the state concludes that they have been rehabilitated and are fit for release.

"The killing of James Bulger was an act of unparalleled evil and barbarity," said Judge Moreland, who in passing sentence also lifted an order that had barred public disclosure of the identities of the two boys, Robert Thompson and Jon Venables

In finding the boys guilty, the jury of nine men and three women agreed with prosecutors who argued that the boys — who were 10 at the time of the killing — knew what they

were doing was "seriously wrong" when they lured James from his mother inside a Liverpool shopping mall, tugged him crying and confused four kilometers (two-and-a-half miles) across town, and then smashed his skull with bricks, stones and a metal bar

along a lonely stretch of railroad track. Jon Venables, identified during the trial as Child B, began to cry as the jury foreman pronounced him guilty, and his parents also sobbed. Robert Thompson, identified during the trial as Child A, appeared to show no

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## Germans Demand Answers on Cadavers in Crash Tests

BONN — Heidelberg University has been ordered to prove that it obtained the permission of relatives to use cadavers, including those of eight children, for automobile crash tests, an official said Wednesday.

The move came after revelations that Heidelberg researchers have since 1975 conducted

more than 200 car-safety tests in which human bodies were placed in automobiles that were rammed together.

The Research Ministry of Baden-Württemberg State, where Heidelberg is situated, has told the university to detail how many tests had

been conducted and to show proof that the corpses were used with the consent of relatives. We have demanded a written report from the university," said Heike Ströle-Bühler, the ministry's spokeswoman. "We need to find out

what the facts are." In Washington, George Parker, associate ad-ministrator for research at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, said the government financed some of Heidelberg's research as well as tests at the universities

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of Virginia and Wisconsin. He said the work was vital for improving car safety.

Crash tests using burnan bodies were con-

ducted by at least two research teams in the United States in the 1980s, according to Clarence Ditlow, head of the Center for Auto Safety, a Washington-based public advocacy group. Mr. Parker said, "We need that type of data to find out how people are injured in crashes, to know what areas of the body are injured under

what conditions." He said the data were used to calibrate measuring devices on the crash dummies used to test car safety. "If you didn't do this testing, you wouldn't know what limits to put on

dummies for crash tests," Mr. Parker said. The tests measure the impact of crashes on ans with the help of cameras and electronic

German law permits the use of cadavers for research so long as the permission of relatives is

The tabloid Bild splashed the affair onto the top of its front page Wednesday, complete with a photograph of the main researcher. Dimitrios Kallieris. A headline next to the photograph reads: "Professor Horror. He Did Car Tests Using Dead Children."

Dr. Rainer Mattern, head of Heidelberg University's forensic pathology department, con-

tended that the university had done nothing wrong. He confirmed that it had used more than 200 human corpses in the crash tests, including eight children.

Dr. Mattern said the university stopped using children's bodies in 1989 but continued to use those of adults.

All corpses were used with the permission of family members, and parents of the dead chil-dren "were clearly aware of what tests were being carried out with the corpses." Mr. Mattern said. "The tests have saved the lives of other children. Bild gave a grisly description of the car-crash

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### For Russians, a Thinning of the Flanks

By Margaret Shapiro

MOSCOW - In Russia, where the shape of many people has long resembled the favorite national food — the potato — dieting is now the rage.

Slimming concoctions, from Slimfast to Herbalife, have taken the country by storm. Diet classes that teach the basics of bealthful eating are jam-packed with the obese. American diet books can be found at subway book stalls. Diet sodas line the windows of nearly every sidewalk

Spurred by a recent flood of Western televi-

here have come to embrace the old saving that a woman cannot be too rich or too thin.

The dieting craze comes at a time when many Russians are officially impoverished and grow-ing numbers of children suffer from vitamin and other deliciencies.

"In the past, a woman was supposed to be a good worker and a good housekeeper," said Galina Istomina, who teaches at the Center for Psychological Correction-Harmony diet program. Now people have to care how they look. estern influence has had an effect."

Of course Russian women were never as

bushka image suggested. In fact, on average, they are probably thinner than their American counterparts, whose greater access to healthier food and lifestyles is mitigated by junk food and sedentary ways.

But for a long time, spending too much time on one's looks was definitely bad form, as Raisa Gorhacher, wife of the former Soviet leader. Mikhail S. Gorbachev, discovered when her stylishness provoked barbs. Now it is considered a capitalist necessity, especially for the growing number of women in the new world of

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### Kiosk

### Main Palestinian Peace Foe Is Slain

JERUSALEM (AP) - Israeli soldiers on Wednesday sbot and killed the leader of the main fundamentalist group that opposes the Israeli-PLO peace pact, the army said. Imad Aqal was shot down by paramilitary police as be bolted from a car at a roadhlock in Gaza City, Israeli radio said.

An army statement called Mr. Aqal "the most dangerous fugitive" in the Gaza Strip. He headed the military wing of the Hamas

movement, which opposes peace between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization and calls for the destruction of Israel. Mr. Agal claimed responsibility for the killing of two Israeli soldiers in the Gaza Strip last month. A book published by Hamas this week quoted him as saying he "hoped to go to paradise by being killed by Israeli soldiers."

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**Business/Finance** 

QVC won court victories in its hostile bid for Paramount. Philip Morris plans 14,000 job cuts and a \$952 million charge. Page 15.



BUNDESTAG DEBATE — Rudolf Schurping, the Social Democratic candidate for chancellor, speaking Wednesday as Chancellor Helmut Kohl waited for his turn.

## Arabs in Israel Hope PLO Pact Will Mean Sweet Deals

By Clyde Haberman New York Times Serves

NAZARETH, Israel - Diah Mahroum, a pastry maker in this ancient city, could see for himself how much the world had suddenly changed when he put his baklava on display at a food fair last month in

For the first time, he said, businessmen from Saudi Arabia and Kuwait felt confi-dent enough to visit the Israel booth, Before you could say pistachio, the had placed orders for nearly 8,000 pounds of candy from the factory here founded by his father, Foad

Not that everything has changed in the Middle East, where an official Arah boycott of Israel remains in effect. The boxes of baklava, which will be shipped to the Gulf hv way of Cyprus, say simply in English: "Mahroum Sweets Ltd., Naza-reth." No mention of Israel.

Arab, even this small step would have been improbable before Sept. 13, when Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization signed their agreement on self-rule for roughly 1.8 million Palestinian Arabs in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza

Strip.

The psychological horder was opened." he said. The Arab countries were very afraid before, This was the first exposition where we could feel them showing inter-

Like Mr. Mahroum, many of the 800,000 Arabs in Israel see the agreement as a force

for potentially sweeping improvements in column label, which they say was never their lives — in business, politics, govern-valid, loses any shred of meaning as Israel ment services and cultural endeavors.

the territories contend with severe and Jordan and expands contacts with the rest sometimes violent divisions over their new of the Arab world. course. Arabs in Israel, who account for

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about 18 percent of the population, are the one major group that thus far supports the accord with few doubts.

It can free them, they say, from sugmas that have relegated them to second-class status - small shares of government funds and discrimination in jobs, housing and schooling — since Israel came into being in

Among Arabs in other countries and in the occupied territories, the Arabs in Israel have often been branded as collaborators for accepting Israeli citizenship. Among the Jewish majority in Israel, their toyalty has always been widely doubted, a suspicion that deepened in some circles because of Israeli Arab support for the Palestinian uprising. They have been regarded as a fifth column — and one with a worrisomely high birth rate at that. But Arabs in Israel argue that the fifth-

not only comes to terms with Palestinians While Israeli Jews and Palestinians in but also heads toward a peace treaty with

On the streets of this predominantly Arah and mostly Christian city of 60,000, a question is heard again and again: If the government now sits with old enemies, why should Arabs in Israel continue to be penalized for doing the same?

"We've put a hole in the wall of discrimi-nation," said Tawfik Ziad, an Arab member of parliament and Nazareth's mayor for the last two decades.

In the Israeli Arab town of Baqa el-Gharbiya, along the northwestero border of the Wesi Bank, Mayor Jalal Abu Toame says municipalities like his must now get their fair share.

"Israel never invested in the Arab sector because of the war sination." he said.
"Baqa was neglected for years. Now it
deserves to benefit from the peace."
Almost nobody expects hostile attitudes huilt over decades to melt overnight. Nonetheless, optimism abounds

Bassam Shahtoot, manager of a computer software company in Nazareth, predicts that Israeli Arah businessmen, with a foot in each world, will be an important link in the trade that is slowly developing with Arah countries. "A huge market that was closed to us will be open in just a few vears," he said.

The Israel-PLO accord has also emboldened some Arabs to talk more about "cultural autonomy," a catch phrase for greater control over local arts programs and schools, where there is substantial segrega-tion of Arabs from Jews but where the curriculum for all is dictated by the Education Ministry in Jerusalem. Some Arabs would like to emphasize their own history more, for example, and Jewish history less. "Cultural autonomy" is a far cry from

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territorial autonomy. On the periphery of

the West Bank and across the plains of northern Galilee, where Israeli Arabs have their biggest concentrations, there is almost no talk about secession from Israel or of union with the independent Palestinian state expected in the West Bank and Gaza.

Yes, the Arabs say, they will probably identify in spirit with a Palestinian state assuming it is "a place you can be proud of," said Azmi Bishara, a Nazareth-born professor who lives in East Jerusalem and prefers to be called a Palestinian citizen of

In politics, some Arah leaders are de- Israel. But they are no different, he and manding that they now be brought into the other Arabs argue, from American Jews Israeli government, something that has who give their hearts to Israel but remain loyal to the United States.

"In terms of national identity, we are an integral part of the Palestinian people," Mayor Ziad said. "But from a citizenship point of view, we are part of the state of Israel. There is no contradiction in this. This is understood psychologically and emotionally by all Arabs in Israel."

Nonetheless, some Israeli officials express concern that calls for true autonomy could grow if the present imbalances con-tinue, with Arab towns receiving far less than half the state funds given to Jewish towns of similar size.

"This is a big test for Israel," said Benny Shiloh, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's adviser on minority affairs. "With the new situation, there's no reason to see them as a security risk and to keep them as secondclass citizens. But if the government doesn't come up with answers and everything stays the same, don't be surprised if the Arabs say, 'Let us provide the answers for ourselves.

Sammy Smooha, a sociology professor at Haifa University, says Arabs and Jews, for all their differences, have grown increasingly accustomed to one another in the last 45 years. That process will now speed up, he predicts.

Peace resolves the basic question of loyalty," he said. "And once that question is settled, the Arab struggle for change will be made easier.

**GUILTY:** 

2 Boys Convicted

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emotion and merely looked around

the courtroom as the sentence was

In passing sentence, Judge Mor-eland acknowledged his dismay over the senseless brutality of the

killing, and wondered aloud if "exposure to violent video films may

be part of an explanation of the

boys' actions, although there was no evidence introduced during the

18-day trial that tied the killing to

video films or to any other influ-

The jury deliberated for just over

five hours Wednesday before re-

verdict on a separate charge that

the boys had tried unsuccessfully to

abduct another toddler before se-

lecting James. As a result, Judge

cered as the two police vans carry-

ing the boys left after the verdict. "Killers, you got what you de-serve!" yelled one man, holding his arms above his head in a gesture of

■ Shocking Chapter's End

The verdict and sentencing

brought one of the most shocking

trials in British history to an end,

The boys were the youngest Brit-ons to be convicted of murder since

1748. The case elicited emotions

ranging from hitterness to hatred to disbelief across Britain, and

There were 12 members of the

Bulger family in court, including

the toddler's mother. Denise, who

The father of Jon Venables

verdicts were announced. Robert

Thompson's mother was not in

Jon Venables's solicitor, Law-rence Lee, said afterward that the

boy had wept and asked him,

"Would you please tell them I am

(AFP, Reuters)

drew worldwide attention.

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Moreland dropped that charge. A crowd of several bundred people gathered outside the courthouse

### WORLD BRIEFS

Germany Holds 2, Charges Stasi Plot

BERLIN (AP) — Uncovering another marder plot by the former East
Germany's Stasi secret police, prosecutors on Weanesday arrested two
men suspected in the 1981 poisoning in Israel of a West German couple
who helped people escape from East Germany.

A 51-year-old identified only as Peter H. is accused of putting a fatal
dose of Thalium, used in rat poison, in the food of the couple and their
daughter while they were vacationing in Israel, a spokeswoman said. Also
arrested Wednesday was the Stasi secret police agent who allegedly
ordered the poisoning. The three were hospitalized but survived.

### Stockholm Bans Gatherings for a Day

STOCKHOLM (AP) — The police banned all demonstrations and gatherings in the capital on Tuesday to head off threats of violence between neo-Nazis and leftists. "We cannot guarantee security for those gathering," said Stockholm's police chief, Sven-Ake Hjalmroth.

Each year the demonstrations surrounding the birthday of King Carl XII, the 17th-18th century warrior king, have become more violent. The police, who have been confiscating explosives and weapons from groups on both ends of the political spectrum, say they fear a bomb attack.

#### U.S. Seeks to Lift Pakistan Sanctions

WASHINGTON (AFP) - The Clinton administration is seeking to WASHINGTON (AFP) — The Clinton administration is seeking to lift sanctions imposed on Pakistan by Congress, the State Department said Wednesday. A department official said the move was proupted by concerns about keeping the military balance between India and Pakistan. Congress has passed legislation banning all transactions with Pakistan except for humanitarian aid shipments unless the president can guarantee

except for numanitarian and simpments unless the president can guarantee every year that Islamabad is not developing nuclear weapons. President Bill Clinton was unable to give that assurance in October, forcing the United States to suspend delivery of F-16 jets purchased by Pakistan. The State Department spokesman would not confirm that Congress had been asked to lift the sanctions, but said that keeping the ban would "not advance our nonproliferation objectives in South Asia;"

Widow Charged Again in GPs Death

DETROIT (AP) — A new charge of first-degree murder was filed
Wednesday against a woman believed to have set up the gunshot ambush
of her musband after he returned home from the Gulf War.

The woman, Toni Cato Riggs, also was charged with conspiracy to commit murder. These and other new charges come in the March 18, 1991, death of Army Specialist Anthony Riggs, Authorities say Mrs. Cato Riggs wanted to collect her husband's \$150,000 life insurance. Mr. Riggs was gurned down outside the home of his wife's parents after he returned from a six-month stint in the Gulf, including service in Operation Desert Storm. Michael Cato, Mrs. Riggs' brother, is already serving a life sentence for first-degree murder in the slaving. Mrs. Riggs was cleared in 1991 after a judge ruled that her brother's confession could not be used against her. Now she has reportedly told undercover agents that she hired her brother and another man to kill her husband for the insurance.

### Poles Seize Radioactive Material

WARSAW (AP) - Officials in eastern Poland have seized 25 kilo grams of uranium and a container of radioactive substance that they said had been smuggled in from the former Soviet Union.

About a dozen Poles and former Soviet citizens trying to sell uranium were detained in a police raid on Tuesday night. The uranium was stored in lead containers in a village near Lublin, 200 kilometers (125 miles) east of Warsaw, the police told the Polish press agency PAP. There is no radioactive contamination of the area, PAP said. Weapons grade uraniturning guilty verdicts against both boys on charges of murder and ab-duction. The jury failed to reach a um is one of the elements needed to make atom bombs.

Border Guards in Hrebenne, on the Ukrainian border, detected an unprotected container with a highly radioactive substance on a bus regularly linking Lvov and Warsaw.

### 5 Shot Kennedy, Cuban General Says

HAVANA (AFP) - President John F. Kennedy was assassinated by Cuban exiles and members of the Malia, according to excerpts from a documentary to be broadcast Wednesday in Caba. General Fabian Escalante Font, head of the the service that guarded Fidel Castro during the 1960s, said three mob members and two anti-Castro Cubans fired four or five shots at Mr. Kennedy from several positions on Nov. 22. 1963, in Dallas.

The documentary, directed by a Brazilian, is based on an investigation carried out by General Escalante. In a preview, the official Communist newspaper Granma said that the Cuben secret police could prove that Lee Harvey Oswald was not the lone gunman, but that two Cuban mercenaries had shot Mr. Kennedy. It did not say for whom the mercenaries had been working.

### For the Record

A Frankfurt court sentenced a Red Army Faction terrorist. Rolf Klemens Wagner, to life in prison on Wednesday for his role in a 1979 attempt to assassinate the then-commander of NATO forces, Alexander M. Haig Jr. General Haig escaped unburt in the attack on his motorcade in Obourg, Belgium, on June 25, 1979, suffering only from shock. (AFP)

Katherine Ann Power, a 1960s anti-war radical who surrendered in September after 23 years, was sentenced to five years in prison Wednesday for robbing a government armory. The sentence, on a federal charge, will be served concurrently with an 8-to-12-year term imposed by a state court for her role in the 1970 killing of a Boston policeman. (Reuters)

### TRAVEL UPDATE

### EC May Group Visa for 129 Nations

BRUSSELS (Reuters) — The European Commission agreed Wednesday on a draft list of 129 countries whose nationals will need a visa to tenter the European Community. If approved by EC states, people from those countries will need only one visa to visit all 12 EC members.

The list of 129 is composed essentially of developing countries, mostly from Africa, including South Africa, but also includes Albania, Romania and Russia. Brazil, Mexico and Argentina are not on the list. A similar list was already approved by the nine EC countries that have signed the

Schengen agreement, which is to remove all border checks by Feb. 1. Britain, Ireland and Denmark did not sign. Admission to the Louvre will be free again on Dec. 5 and 12 to mark the opening of the refurbished Richelieu wing, the Culture Ministry said. Thousands of visitors were turned away last weekend when an earlier promise of free entry drew too many people.

Belgian unions have called a general strike for Friday after partial ralkouts Wednesday disrupted flights from Brussels, paralyzed trains and buses, and halted work in some factories, schools and banks. (AP) Saint Petersburg, following Moscow's example, said all foreign visitors, including those from the former Soviet republics, will have to obtain a

residence permit for a stay longer than three days. Macedonia's two airports should be closed on safety grounds following a crash in which 115 people died, the director of the company that runs Skopje and Ohrid airports said Wednesday. Zoran Krstevski said the airports' runways and lighting systems were in bad condition. (Reuters)

The MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas has been crowned the world's largest by the Guinness Book of Records. The new hotel, which has 5,005 rooms, also has the world's biggest casino, with 171,500 square feet (1,600 square meters): It is to open Dec. 18 and will suppliant the Excalibur Hotel as the largest in the 1995 edition of the book. The Excalibur, which opened in Las Vegas in 1990, has 4,032 rooms.

(Remers)

Panama is worried about an outbreak of dengue fever that risks turning into an epidemic, health authorities said Wednesday. (AFP)

### **Press Baron** Angers Italy On Election

ROME — The press baron Silvio Berlusconi, chairman of the AC Milan soccer ream, sparked a furor on Wednesday by backing the neo-Fascist candidate for the job of

mayor of Rome. Political analysts and pressure groups denounced Mr. Berlusconi's support for Gianfranco Fini of the neo-Fascist Italian Social Movement, who will run in a run-off

election on Dec. 5. More than 200 journalists at the industrialist's Mondadori publishing company, which produces the weekly news magazine Panorama. held a one-day strike, saying they would not be used to further Mr. Berlusconi's stated political ambi-

Mr. Fini won more than 35 percent of the vote in the first round in Rome last weekend and faces the leftist Franceso Rutelli, who polled almost 40 percent, in a decisive

head-to-head contest. Mr. Berlusconi's chairmanship of the Milan soccer club and ownership of three down-market national television channels have made him one of Italy's biggest household names, and his backing could give Mr. Fini a critical lift.



WEST BANK STUDENTS REJECT PACT - Students at Bir Zeit University in the Occupied West Bank, voting Wednesday, elected candidates to the student council who are opposed to the Palestine Liberation Organization-Israel peace agreement. Foes of the accord won all nine seats. Bir Zeit University is the oldest and most prestigious of six colleges in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

### Of HIV-TB Tests

PARIS - A parliamentary committee on Wednesday rejected a proposal for compulsory testing of everyone with tuberculosis to check for virus that causes AIDS.

The social affairs committee of the National Assembly said it had dropped the proposal from a hill that the Senate approved in October. The Assembly has to ratify hills before they can become law.

in favor of testing. The national posal was unethical. About 10,000 posal was unethical. About 10,000 the so-called Marsh Arabs from water and vegetation for analysis people in France have tuberculosis. their traditional homes, was "a seri-from a site in the southern marshes

## French Drop Idea Iraq on Course to Purge South, UN Says

By Paul Lewis

New York Tone Serine UNITED NATIONS, New York — President Saddam Hussein has now succeeded in draining about 40 percent of the fresh-water marshlands of southern Iraq so his military forces can press their campaign against dissident Shute Mus-lims there, a United Nations hu-

man rights inspector has reported. Max van der Stoel a former Dutch foreign minister, said that The health minister, human the Iraqi government's systematic rights groups and doctors criticized draining of the southern marshes the proposal when the Senate voted around the confluence of the Tigris and Euphrates rivers, so that its medical association said the pro- forces can penetrate and drive out the so-called Marsh Arabs from

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ous human rights violation against the people of the region."

Mr. van der Stoel who was banned from visiting Iraq and has had to rely on reports from refu-gees and dissidents, called for the United Nations to station permanent human rights monitors in

Iraq, especially in the marshes. His report to the General Assembly came as Deputy Prime Minister Tario Aziz of Iraq began talks with the United Nations on his coun-try's compliance with disarmament requirements imposed by the Secu-

rity Council after the Gulf War. It also came just after UN arms inspectors removed samples of soil.

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ical weapons against them during scrutiny. But the existing United

Hassan Majid, in charge of military operations against the Shiites, some of whom helped spearhead an unsuccessful uprising against Baghdad after the Gulf War.

The evidently disproportionate use of military force and means against such an historically peace-able civilian population as the ecutions, enforced or involuntary Marsh Arahs indicates that the aim is not only to subdue the 'criminals' in the area, but to subdue the whole suspected opponents." population through indiscriminate neans." Mr. van der Stoel said in

The report was one of several released this week charging serious human rights abuses by Sudan, Burma, Iran, Cuba, Hain and Af-

In an attempt to strengthen UN efforts to improve respect for hu-man rights, the United States and other Western countries are pressing for the creation of the post of high commissioner for human rights, a proposal opposed by Chi-na and a group of Asian countries led by Malaysia and Indonesia.

The General Assembly's increased interest in human rights this year reflects the recommendations of a world conference on human rights in Vienna last summer. which called for the appointment of a high commissioner and for the

Washington-hased International weapons systems.

where fleeing Shiite Muslims have Human Rights Law Group, said: accused Iraqi forces of using chem- "More countries are coming under an attack in September.

According to dissidents, Mr.

Saddam has placed his defense minister and cousin, General Ali

Nations mechanisms are still not effective at forcing compliance with the same countries coming up year after year. That is why we need is pregnant with her second child, her husband and their brothers and broke down sobhing, and the boy's mother just stared ahead for a few moments and then collapsed onto her husband's shoulder when the

In a report on Sudan, the UN investigator, Gaspar Biro, accused the government of General Omar Hassan Ahmad Bashir of "grave violations of human rights." It said these included "large numbers of disappearances, systematic torture, and widespread arhitrary arrest of

The UN investigator on Iran, Reynaldo Galindo Pohl, said that he was denied access to that nation this year. In his report, he described torture as "common throughout the country," accused the Iranian government of planning to assassinate opponents living abroad, and estimated that Iran holds 20,000 political prisoners.

■ Iraq Seeks UN Guarantees A top government official said Wednesday that Iraq would not ac-cept long-term UN monitoring of its military industry without Security Council guarantees that trade

sanctions would be lifted first, Reuters reported from Baghdad. The speaker of parliament, Saadi Mahdi Saleh, said Iraq wanted to see Resolution 687 fully carried out before consenting to long-term UN controls. The resolution says that United Nations to spend more on enforcing human rights.

Commenting on the trend. Reed Brody, executive director of the Washington Says mat the embargo on most trade with Iraq, including oil, will be lifted once the Security Council accepts that Iraq has dismanuled its key

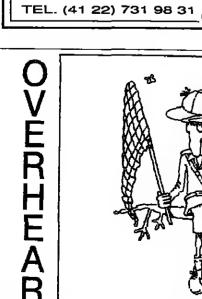
### **Outage Paralyzes London Subway**

LONDON - Some 20,000 com-

muters were forced to walk down tunnels and climb air shafts after a power failure paralyzed the London Underground rail network during the morning rush hour on Wednesday. By early afternoon, trains were reported running again on all lines except the Central Line east of Marble Arch.

A total of 25 trains were stranded without lights or radio contact in tunnels throughout the network by the power cut at 8 A.M. A backup system also failed, plunging the system's Central, District and Metropolitan lines into darkness.

"We walked out about 20,000 people this morning," an Underground spokesman said.





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### Mishaps Slow Work **On Warhead Cuts**

Washington Pres Service
WASHINGTON — The Energy Department's ambitious schedule for dismantling surplus nuclear warheads at its Pantex plant in Texas has been disrupted by accidents and other safety concerns, according to a congressional study.

In an incident last year, workers taking apart a B-57 warbead dropped it 20 inches (50 centimeters onto a table. General Accounting Office investigators found, leading to a 38-day shotdown for a thorough safety review of B-57 disassembly operations.

In another case, a special trailer built to carry nuclear warheads broke down, leading the Energy Department to suspend the entire truck fleet for 60 days, while war-heads piled up at military bases.

With the U.S. nuclear weapons stockpile projected to drop from about 21,000 warheads in 1990 to about 3,500 in 2003, the Energy Department has set a target of disassembling about 1,400 warheads a year at Pantex, the nation's principal bomb assembly complex, outside Amarillo, Texas.

In a report requested by Senator John Glenn, the Ohio Democrat who is chairman of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee, the General Accounting Office found that the schedule may be more than Pantex can handle safely. The re- into a culture where disassembly is port said safety concerns and a put ahead of worker, public and shortage of trained workers had environmental safety."

By Thomas W. Lippman forced Pantex officials to curtail the disassembly schedule on several occasions in the last two years.

counting Office said Pantex lacked storage space for all the dismantled warheads. This finding reinforces the conclusions of at least two earlier and larger studies of the worbead disassembly program, which say that the nanon lacks a long-term plan for the safe disposal of its growing stockpile of surplus plutonium from unneeded weapons.

In the past, plutonium from dis-mantled warheads was shipped to an Energy Department plant in Rocky Flats, Colorado, for reuse in new weapons. But no new weapons are being made, so the plutonium "pits," or triggers, are piling up in temporary storage bins at Pantex.

Energy Department officials "estimate that existing facilities will provide adequate storage until about April 1994," the General Ac-counting Office said.

It recommended that the department curtail the disassembly schedule until safety and storage issues are resolved, but the Energy De-partment is reluctant to do that because dismantled weapons are

safer to store than active warbeads. Mr. Glenn said that while the reported safety problems bad been handled properly and without worker injury, the Energy Depart-ment should not be allowed "to slip"

### Health Bill's First Hurdle: Jurisdiction

By Spencer Rich

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — The Senate Finance Committee and the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee are locked in a furious battle for control of President Bill Clinton's bealth plan, with several versions of

the bill sitting idly on the Senate calendar. The dispute could complicate and even endanger the president's bill, according to

"It's an atomic war," said an aide to one Finance Committee Democrat. "It's a giant spitting contest," said an aide Finance Republican.

It's messy over there" said a top House health planner. At issue is jurisdiction over the health bill,

sent to Capitol Hill in final form Saturday but not yet referred to a committee.

The Labor Committee is beaded by Edward M. Kennedy, Democrat of Massachusetts, who has been pushing for health reform for years and whose committee is one of the

most liberal in the Senate. The Finance Committee is headed by Daniel Patrick Moynihan, Democrat of New York, whose committee is far more conserva-

Jurisdiction means control over what goes into the bill before it gets to the floor. It means managing the bill on the floor — which amendments will be accepted, which will be fought. It means deciding strategies to get extra votes. It means handling the negotiations and compromises with the White House, the Republicans and the House, It also means having lobbysts cluster around and ask for favors.

And it means having all this forever -not just if this hill is passed but in the future. whenever amendments come up. In short, it means attention, power, the ability to influence events, satisfy constituencies, attract support and carry out ideological dreams.

Senate aides said.
"The irony of it is that Pat Moynihan and Ted Kennedy are friends," said one Senate Democrat. "They have been for a long time. That makes this all the more difficult." Mr. Moynihan wants jurisdiction and is backed by several committee Democrats and

virtually all its Republicans. Mr. Kennedy does not claim jurisdiction over the direct taxes in the plan, such as the tobacco tax and the Medicare and Medicaid savings that provide a significant portion of the financing.

But after a review of precedents, he said, the Senate Parliamentarian concluded that the Labor Committee bad jurisdiction over virtually all the most important provisions of the bill.

Senator Kennedy and other liberals on the Labor Committee fear that if the more conservative Finance Committee controls the bill, it will knock out many of its key features. There would then be no alternative Clintontype committee bill to pose against the Fiace bill when it reaches the floor. The

Clinton bill could then be nearly dead in the Senate and a far less comprehensive reform than Mr. Clinion and Mr. Kennedy envision might be passed.

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But Mr. Moynihan said that giving the Labor Committee control would produce a bill that would jeopardize chances for any Republican support. The ultimate result might be the passage of nothing at all and perhaps the loss of the best chance in three generations to change the national health

"The Democrats on the Labor Committee are 100 damned liberal, and their bill is 100 damned liberal," said an aide to a Finance Committee Republican.

Moreover, many members of the Finance Committee view the mandatory "premium" that businesses and individuals must pay for health care under the bill as a federal tax, aides said. They believe that the bulk of the bill is clearly within Finance's jurisdiction.

If the impasse continues, each committee is likely to work on what it considers its portion of the bill - in Finance Committee's case. everything - and produce an amended ver-

Then each would attach its language to some related bill over which it has jurisdicnon or seek a bill number for its version. Then it would be the job of top Senate Democrats, the White House and perhaps some Republicans to try to meld the two bills into a single measure and take it to the floor.

### Handgun-Control Bill Gains Final Approval; Clinton Vows to Sign It

WASHINGTON — The Senate. by voice vote Wednesday, ap-proved the Brady hill, which for the

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first time requires a five-day wait-ing period and background check on handgun buyers everywhere in

the United States.
With Vice President Al Gore in the chair as presiding officer, the leader of the majority Democrats. George J. Mitchell of Maine, and the leader of the minority Republicans, Bob Dole of Kansas, announced that a separate bill would be voted upon in January with pro-

visions sought by Republicans. "The Brady bill has now been

passed." Mr. Mitchell said. Mr. Dole said, "I couldn't have done this had I not been able to get consent from everybody on this side of the aisle." The Republican added that he had consulted with key members of his party, and, "1 can say there's no objection."

Mr. Dole said that President Bill Clinton had indicated that if his separate hill was approved by the Senate and House, he would sign it.

period to four years, with an option of the attorney general adding a fifth year.

The legislation approved on Wednesday now goes to Mr. Clin-ion, whose signature will make it

The president was told of the bill's passage while he visited a church to help prepare a Thanks-

giving dinner for the homeless. "I am elated," he said. "It is a wonderful Thanksgiving present for the American people. It will be a beginning — a beginning in what must be a long and relentless assault on the problems of crime and

violence in this country." "After a long, long hard fight, Jim Brady has won," Mr. Dole said. "I know this ordeal has been long, hard and frustrating for him." The bill was named for James S. Brady, who was disabled during an assassination attempt on President Ronald Reagan in 1981. Mr. Brady

was Reagan's press secretary. "We can now leave for Thanksgiving and for Christmas and re-The legislation to be acted upon in turn next year, ready to roll," said January would cover changing the Mr. Mitchell.

### \* POLITICAL NOTES\*

#### In Hospitals and on Video: White House Pitch

WASHINGTON - With the distraction of the North American Free Trade Agreement behind them, the administration and its allies are boping to use the two-month congressional recess to revive their campaign for overhauling the health care system. They have planned a relentless exercise in retail politics: town meeting by town meeting,

hospital by hospital, videotape by videotape.

Most cabinet officials will descend on hospitals this holiday weekend to draw attention to the issue. The Democratic National Committee is planning to distribute 10,000 copies of its new video, "Health Care Security, Challenge to America," and a million copies of its brochure, "What the President's Plan Means for You."

The administration's allies in Congress are planning several regional conferences on health care, expected to feature Hillary Rodham Clinton, and the White House has detailed 20 cabinet members and other senior officials to explain the president's plan at town

meetings over the hobdays. The administration faces several challenges at this stage of the bealth care campaign: It needs to restore the public focus on the issue that flagged while Mr. Clinton was preoccupied with the trade agreement. It needs to counter the criticism of the plan that mounted after the early, glowing reviews of the Mr. Clinton's speech to Congress in September on the general need for changes in health

And, some analysts say, the administration needs to provide a constant flow of information to a public that is less interested in the broad arguments over health care than in what the plan will mean on a personal level.

### Republican Governors Split on Gun Control

PHOENIX, Arizona - Hoping to win control of a majority of the nation's statchouses next year after almost 25 years of Democratic dominance. Republican governors concluding a conference here agreed that the best course was to emphasize issues that have been staples of their party platform: fighting crime, cutting taxes, and controlling spending.

But strains were already apparent among the governors over how

best to preempt the Democrats' attempts to make these issues their own and not compromise traditional Republican principles. The most obvious divisions came to the surface when some

governors said this was the time for Republicans to support gun control as part of the prescription for fighting crime. Those remarks were all the more striking inasmuch as they came at a time when it was Republicans in the Senate who were resisting a particularly popular gun-control measure, the Brady bill.

Some people have rejected anything that has the scent of gun control on its face; that's no longer the case," said Governor Mike Leavitt of Utah. "I have gone through a melamorphosis where my own personal philosophies have shifted,"
Mr. Leavitt said "13- and 14-year-old kids running around the

strerts with handguns" had brought him "to the conclusion that they have no business doing it, and we've got to do something restrictive."

Comments like Mr. Leavitt's ran counter to the strongly worded claims here this week of Governor-Elect George F. Allen of Virginia and Haley Barbour, the Republican national chairman. Both cited Mr. Allen's election over Mary Sue Terry, a Democrat who made gun control one of her central campaign themes, as evidence that the issue had limited appeal.

### 2 Clinton Aides Quit While They're Ahead

WASHINGTON - Two senior White House officials will be leaving the government by the end of the year, taking advantage of the relatively good news the administration bas enjoyed of late to Howard Paster, the president's chief liaison with Congress, and

Roy M. Neel, the deputy chief of staff, both said their decisions had been triggered by personal factors, and to some degree, by the professional burnout brought on by a hectic first year in office. Mr. Paster, who came under fire for President Bill Clinton's early

legislative stumbles but gained little credit for his later accomplish ments, said he was tired and needed a break from the job of managing the president's several and simultaneous legislative priori-

We have set a new standard of intensity," Mr. Paster seid. (NYT)

### Quote/Unquote

Kaki Hockersmith, who redecorated the White House for the Chintons: "Their taste is very today. They're not stuffy and pretentions, and neither is their home."

### **Away From Politics**

• Lorenz Bobbitt's trial for cutting off her husband's penis has been put off from Monday until Jan. 10 to give psychiatrists more time to test her for her planned defense of insanity on charges of malicious wounding. Judge Herman A. Whisenant of Prince William County Circuit Court in Manassas, Virginia, rescheduled the trial.

 Sol Wachsler, New York's former chief judge, was stabbed in his bed at a North Carolina prison, where he is serving a 10-month sentence for narassing his former lover, his lawyer said Tuesday. Mr. Wachtler, 63, was listening to his radio with earphones when he was attacked, said his lawyer. Paul Montclare, who is his son-in-law, Mr. Wachtler's two wounds, above the shoulder blade, needed stitches.

 Containers of nerve and mustard gas and other chemical poison weapons may be buried in at least 215 sites around the United States. the Pentagon said. Its report to Congress said the army was not aware of any immediate threats to health or safety. But it said it will probably take up to 2934 at a cost of \$17.7 billion to destroy all the chemicals and equipment, including storage and spray tanks.

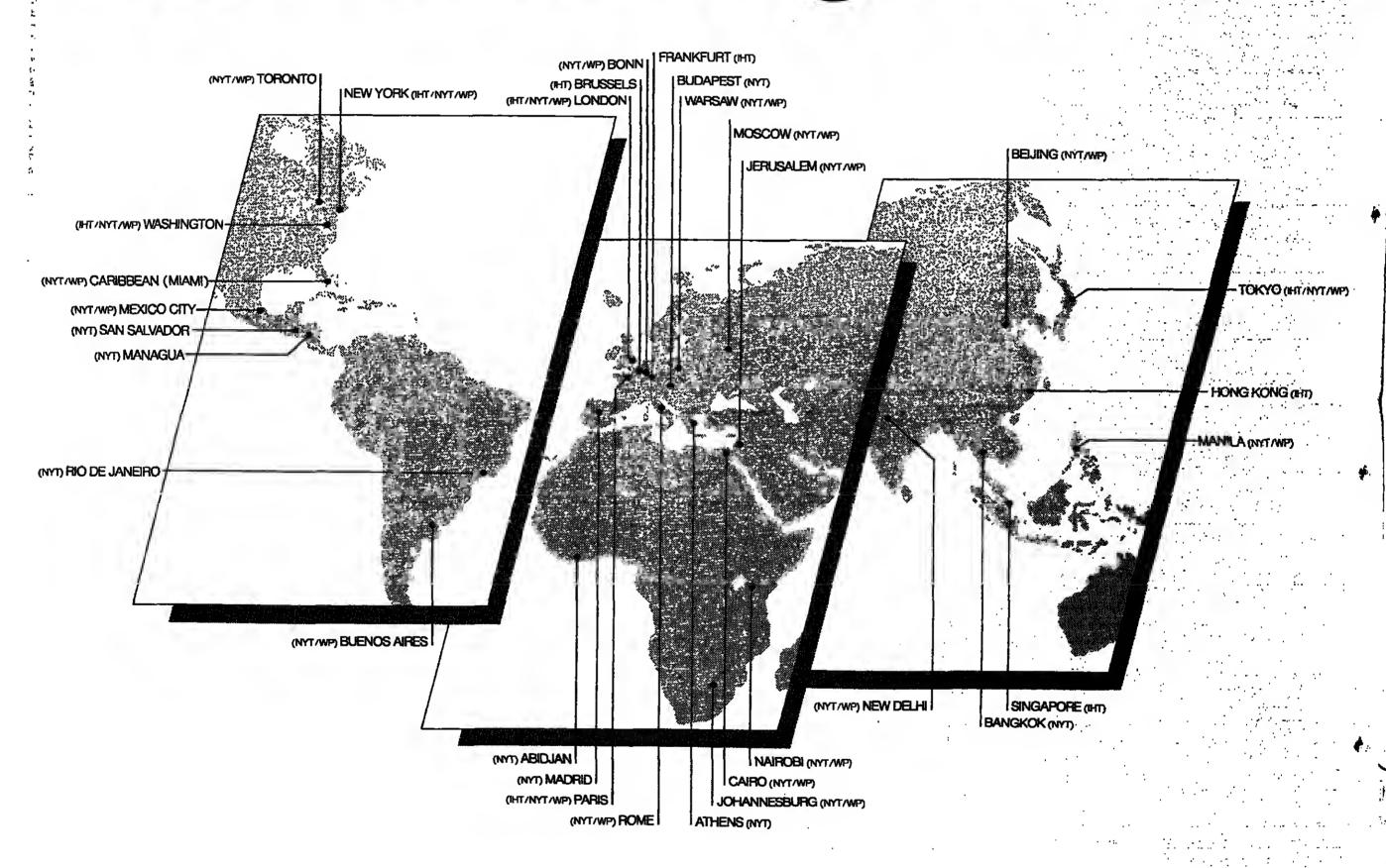
 Almost traff the Los Angeles police force is taking part in a job action by calling in sick. But the city fought back, winning a court order barring officers from continuing the factic in their effort to get



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### Spy Master for East Decries 'Farce' as **Treason Trial Ends**

By Craig R. Whitney
New York Times Service
DUSSELDORF — Markus

Wolf, the former head of East Germany's spy service, denounced on Wednesday his seven-month-long trial on charges of treason as a political "farce" staged by the au-thorities of the reunited Germany in triumph over the state they absorbed in 1990.

"This court is going to find me guilty," the 70-year-old spy master, who fled to Moscow but came back to face trial in 1991, told judges and spectators at the end of his trial:

Though he and everybody else will not learn the verdict until Dec. 6, when the court reconvenes to pass judgment, for Mr. Wolf the. only question was how long his ce would be

The prosecutors asked the court to give him seven years.

Whatever sentence it imposes, it will be a political verdict." Mr. Wolf asserted in his closing state-ment, only the second time be has said anything at all during the trial. The first was on the opening day m May, when he acknowledged

that, as charged, he had been the head of the East German foreign intelligence service from 1953 to 1986. The court could spare itself the trouble of taking evidence, he

### **GATT:** Signs of Hope

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tion for Europe's movie and television industries, an overall accord on tariff reduction and the establishment of a multilateral trade organization with the power to enforce fair trading rules.

Prime Minister Edouard Balladur was even more blunt, "Currently we have obtained nothing of what we have demanded," Reuters quoted him as saying in Paris.]

Trade and Industry Minister Gerard Longuet of France, who was briefed on the talks by Sir Leon at Charles de Gauile airport Wednesday morning, also reported no breakthrough. But he added that "the Americans have clearly decided to give more attention to the GATT trade negotiations than they had shown so far."

The biggest obstacle between the two sides continues to be agriculture, in particular the Bisir House accord that calls for a steep reduc-tion in export subsidies. France has opposed the pact vigorously, and the Community has sought to appease Paris by seeking "clarifications" that would phase in the subsidy reductions more gradually and lenge EC farm programs in the fu-

"If a clarification is a guise for reopening Blair House, then it is not acceptable," Mr. Kantor said. But we will go on talking about agricultural issues."

Sir Leon also detailed for the first time the Community's offer on movies and television program-ming, which would include protect-ing existing EC film subsidies and quotas on non-European TV programs, and allow Europe some leeway to take other protective action in the future.

The United States is particularly concerned that Europe will seek to block Hollywood's access to new technology avenues, such as satellite and pay-per-view, which are expected to supplant much of the traditional broadcasting market in coming years.

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research, in one test, the body of a

male adult was buckled in behind

the steering wheel of a car. Special sensors were attached to the cadav-

er's head, chest and hips. Another

car, set in motion by remote con-

trol, rammed the driver's side of the first automobile at a speed of 50 kilometers per hour (30 miles an hour), Bild said.

According to Bild, the collision

The Vatican joined Wednesday in the condemning the tests with an article in the official Osservatore

collapsed the corpse's hungs, broke 27 ribs and punctured the liver.

Romano that called such experimentation "repugnant to the con-

The influential German Anto-mobile Club has demanded the

banning of such tests as "ethically unacceptable." The Episcopal Conference also condemned them,

saying that the bodies of deceased humans should be treated with dig-

■ U.S. Said to Test Bodies

Car crash tests using human corpses are being conducted at

American universities, and the

costs of the tests are paid for by the U.S. government. Ford and Gener-

al Motors. Reuters reported

Wednesday from Detroit, quoting a scientist involved in the testing.

Chrysler Corp. helped finance the program until 1979, when the

company ran into financial diffi-culties and dropped out, said the

scientist, Albert King, scientific di-

rector of Wayne State University 5 Bio-Engineering Center in Detroit.

He said the tests had been going

Since 1990, the center has tested about 30 to 40 corpses, he said,

on for 50 years.

CADAVER: Answers Demanded

said then; he would admit to the specifications, but how could he be gailty of treason to a state he was not a citizen of until after his own ceased to exist?

"I again acknowledge full re-sponsibility for the actions of those who reported to me, under the constitution and the laws of the German Democratic Republic," Mr. Wolf said Wednesday. But, be said. that had not been enough for the prosecutorial authorities of the Federal Republic of Germany, who wanted "a show trial."

"No one who once believed in the possibility of another Germany with more social justice, a Germany without arrogance or nationalistic taint or the almighty dollar is apparently allowed to walk around any more with his head held high."

Mr. Wolf's idealistic description of a Communist country that collapsed in 1989 as soon as troops were no longer willing to shoot peo-ple who rejected it, a state that had to build the Berlin Wall in 1961 to keep its own citizens from fleeing. reflected beliefs he acquired growing up in Moscow in the 1930s and 1940s. He is the son of a German Communist emigre and anti-fascist figure, the Jewisb physician and playwright Friedrich Wolf, who died in East Berlin to 1953.

The spies who were brought in to testify during Mr. Wolf's trial in-cluded both East German infiltrators and West German agents, who testified that Mr. Wolf had indeed been an active and effective leader. Several were still serving jail sen-

tences for their own convictions. "If I have felt guilt in this court-room, it was not before the law but before these people," Mr. Wolf said, though he had the impression that oone of them regretted what they had done, none had been blackmailed or forced into working

The prosecutors set out to prove that by giving spies detailed instructions and money, and passing on to Moscow the military and economic secrets they gleaned, Mr. Wolf had been guilty not only of being an agent himself, but also of bribery and treason.



A UN relief convoy of 47 trucks and escort vehicles passing through a checkpoint at Tomislavgrad en route for Zenica in central Bosnia.

### BOSNIA: In UN Dilemma, Feeding People Means Prolonging the War

said Aogus Ramsay, a British Army officer and chief of staff of the UN military operation in Bosnia. But, for the time being, be said, such activity is an "unavoidable price to pay for averting famine." But unless the factions allow the

aid through, he added, that famine

will come One of the most visible signs of the UN operation in Bosnia has been road-building. With great fanfare last August, Lieutenant General Francis Briquemont of Belgium, the UN commander for Bosnia, announced Operation Lifeline, a plan to establish a "bumanitarian supply route" from the Adriatic coast in Croatia to the Bosnian cities of

Sarajevo, Zenica and Tuzla. Since then, British engineers have cut a 25-mile, two-lane road,

goat trail that climbs 4,500 feet engineers would repair another (1.370 meters) from outside Tomis-road. Route Diamond, which ad to Rumboci, above Prozor Lake, both Crostian strongholds. Canadian engineers are improving the road from Sarajevo to Visoko, then north to Vares and Tuzla,

most of it in Muslim-held territory.

The net effect of the British engineering feat on the bumanitarian effort has been uncertain because Bosnian Croats have stopped all commercial traffic into ceotral Bosnia for seven months. But militarily, the road bas been a godsend to the Bosnian Croatian forces and their ally, the Croatian Army. which ply the road daily, bringing troops to light the mostly Muslim Bosnian Army.

known as Route Triangle, out of a British forces agreed that British stretches into Croatian enclaves in

> for safe passage for UN convoys. Asked if there was any likelihood that the Croats would block UN convoys once that route was cleared to their liking, Colonel John Almstrom, a Canadian and chief operations officer for the UN forces, nodded. "That's what they'll probably do," he said.

Providing fuel to the warring factions is another problem. On Oct. 27, during negotiations with Serbian paramilitary forces in the east Bosnian city of Zvornik, UN officials promised the Serbs about 10,000 gallons of diesel fuel if they In an accord signed Monday, would allow the UN battalion in Bosnian Croatian troops and the Tuzla to move more equipment

there via Serbia, according to an official who took part in the meet-

north-central Bosnia, in exchange Under the Security Council resolutions. UN officials are not authorized to trade fuel for access. But the Swedish UN officers in Tuzla were desperate, the UN official

> Even after distributing several thousand gallons of the promised diesel fuel, bowever, the Swedes still bad a rough time of it. On Monday, Bosnian Serbs forced a convoy of 46 UN vehicles, seeking to reinforce the Nordic battalion. back into Serbia at gunpoint, After spending the night in a parking lot on the Serbian side of the Drina River, the convoy arrived in Tuzla month late.

## **Bosnia With Pullout**

By Paul Lewis New York Times Service

**Envoy to Threaten** 

UNITED NATIONS, New York — If Bosnia's Muslims fail to make peace with the Serhs and Croats by early next year, Britain and France are likely to withdraw their peacekeeping forces from the former Yugoslavia though they may still try to continue humanitarian work there as the warring factions prepare for spring cam-

But if the Serbs and Croats obstruct a peace accord in the coming weeks then the 12 European Community countries are likely to press for the Security Council to impose a new and tighter economic blockade on them.

These warnings will be spelled out publicly by Lord Owen, the European mediator in the former Yugoslavia, in a lecture he is scheduled to give in London on Thurs-day. They are intended to encour-age Serhian, Bosnian and Croat aders to resume serious talks when they meet with European foreign ministers in Geneva on Mon-day, United Nations and European Ticials say.

That plan, approved by the 12 in Luxembourg on Monday, calls for Bosnia's leader, President Alija Izetbegovic, to accept the three-way division of Bosnia-Herzegovina into separate ethnic states as roposed last summer by Lord Owen and his fellow mediator, Thorvald Stoltenberg, lo return, the new plan calls for the Muslim state to receive a little more territory, as well as for a cease-fire and conomic cooperation talks be-

tween Croats and Serbs in Croatia. As these peace agreements are put into effect the European Community countries would ask the Security Council to suspend progressively its trade embargo against the Serbian government of President Slobodan Milosevic in Belgrade.

If this part of the plan is accepted, the Europeans then hope to reconvene an international peace conference later next year to work out permanent solutions to outding ethnic issues in the former Yugoslavia, including autonomy for Croatia's Serbian minority as well as for the Albanians of Serbia's Kosovo Province and the Sandjak Muslims.

The mediators believe that if the three factions have not made peace by February the European peace initiative is likely to become irrele-

While the Serbs and Croats in Bosnia are well armed, the mediators report that Mr. lzetbegovic's government is receiving a steady supply of arms and ammunition that should enable its forces to fight on through the winter and launch a spring campaign against the Croats in the hope of driving a corridor south through Mostar to the Adriauc sea around Neum.

Britain and France would probably then refuse to keep their troops in the area for a third year escorting humanitarian aid convovs under increasingly dangerous conditions, and the entire United Nations peacekeeping operation would colapse. However the Europeans say they would still do what they could to keep aid supplies flowing.

### UN Aid Convoys To Central Bosnia Resumed Again

SARAJEVO. Bosnia-Herzegovina - The first convoys to reach central Bosnia in four weeks began unloading badly needed food aid Wednesday. But it was too late for some -- Bosnian officials reported Il people dead of hunger or cold.

Two convoys, coming from different directions, but both bound for a UN depot in Zenica, 60 kilometers (35 miles) northwest of Sarajevo, reached Vitez and Travnik.

They began unloading some of the aid in those towns and were to spend the night before proceeding to Zenica on Thursday, said Commander Idesbald van Biesebroeck, a UN spokesman in Sarajevo.

Aid shipments have assumed new importance with the early ar-rival of winter and the four-week gap in deliveries. An estimated 2.7 million Bosnians are at risk from cold and starvation.

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### **DIET:** Russians Are Taking It Off

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business. "Before, I worked in a government ministry, and it was not important how you dressed or how you looked," said Ludmilla Topchi, 31; who recently attended Harmony's weeklong diet class in an effort to lose 10 to 15 pounds (about 5 to 7 kilograms). "Now I have my own firm, and I'm meeting every day with people in similar better.

Said Miss Istomina: "People in Russia are overweight not because they eat too much but because there is such little choice of healthy food. Just macaroni, fried potatoes

Indeed, it is not easy to diet here. The local cuisine is heavy with fat: fatry salami is the main protein at all meals: heavy sour cream is slathered onto, and into, everything; mayonnaise is a basic ingredient of many salads; fried potatoes are a staple; fresh fruits and vegetables are pricey and, in many regions, virtually impossible to find out of season. And the season tends

to be very brief. Sull, a combination of career necessity, greater awareness about health and growing womes about environmental hazards in food has spurred many women to eat better if they can alford to.

adding that several other American

universities conduct similar safety-

Mr. King defended such tests, saying they helped save lives by providing better data to improve

research programs.

the safety of vehicles.

ical School, Mr. King said.

Women today, even those who have been so sbocked by the changes of the last few years, have begun to understand that the main thing is health, feeling good," said Zoya Krylova, editor in chief of the women's magazine Rabotnitsa. -

But there is more to it than that, she said. "Women realize they have to be in good shape, they have to be a high quality commodity," the edirelationship, after all, is well known

Tatyana, one of dozens of women now selling Herbalife in Mos-cow, said that many of her "clients" were women who had taken jobs with new private companies headed by Westernized men in their mid-30s. "These men want to be surrounded by young things." she said. "So to get a job in a good firm, you better look good."

She also said that many women had now traveled abroad or had Western contacts and wanted Western lifestyles.

A few years ago that was impos-sible in Russia because Western clothes and cosmetics were unavailable in state-run stores, which is what all Soviet stores were. Today, with the old strictures gone, the situation has changed dramati-

town Moscow, a store or kiosk sells flashy imported clothes.

As one overweight Russian woman, who several months ago began dieting for the first time in her life and has now lost 30 pounds. put it: "For the first time it is essible to buy nice clothes bere, but they don't come in large sizes. if you want to hay them, you have to be thin."

bookshelf includes a copy of "The The bodies are donated for re-New Our Bodies Ourselves," said search to the the Wayne State Medshe thought that it was only a mat-ter of time before Russia became as diet- and health-obsessed as the Sherman Henson, manager of side-impact safety planning for Ford, said Ford supported crash testing with corpses by universities.
"At what point in a crash do ribs break?" he said. "There is no way to know that except to test ribs."

"It enters our lives gradually, through movies especially," she said. "When we see people who are fit and healthy it has an impact."

On nearly every street of down-Zoya Krylova, whose office

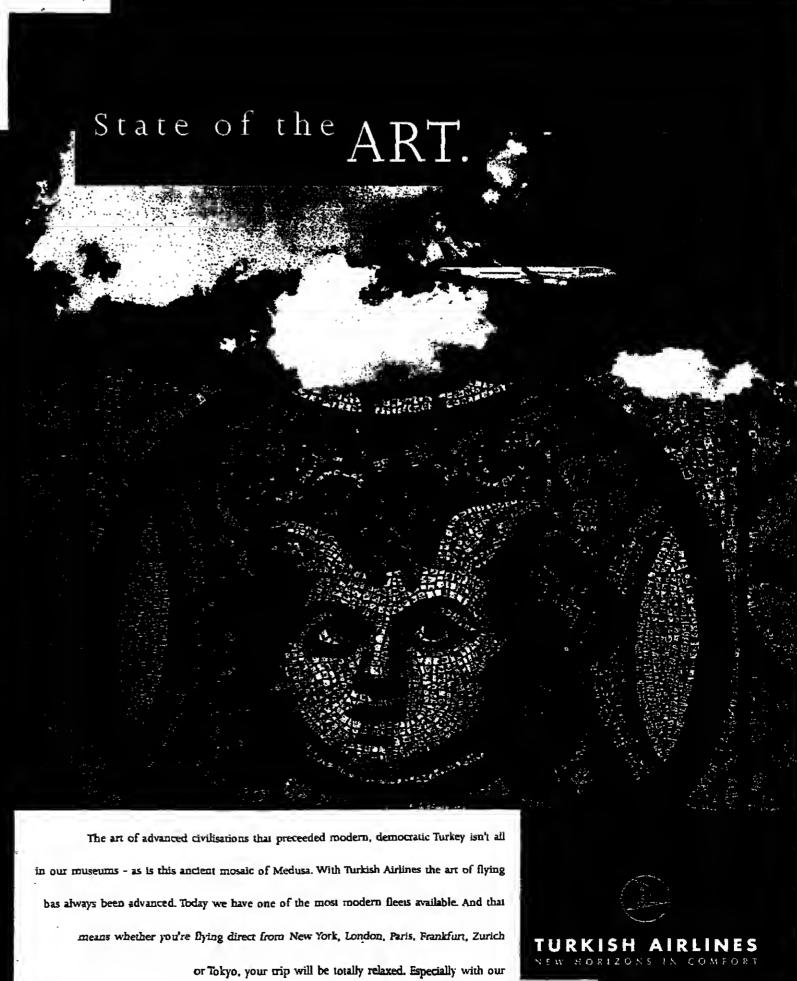
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### Satisfied Chileans Tune Out the Elections

By Don Podesta

Washington Past Service SANTIAGO — In this country that two decades ago was the most politically polarized in South America, visitors now must look closely for a sign of the presidential and congressional elections that are due in less than three weeks.

Few campaign posters and ban-ners are on the streets. Television spots are grouped in two 20-minute daily broadcasts. Rallies are rare and sparsely attended. When rival campaign workers run into each other, they poke fun rather than brawl, as once was common.

Gone are both the far-left rhetoric of Salvador Allende's Marxist government of the early 1970s and the right-wing anti-communism that held sway for 16 years after General Augusto Pinochet toppled him in a military coup.

Instead, Chileans seem comfort-

able with the center-left coalition led by President Patricio Aylwin of the Christian Democratic Party and appear ready to elect with little debate a successor from the same party on Dec. 11.

In any other country, what the leading daily El Mercurio called "an atmosphere of uninterest" might be attributable to a weariness with politics. But Chile has had only one presidential election since Mr. Allende was overthrown 20 years ago. The more likely reason for the lack of political fireworks, several analysts here say, is that Chile is doing well and no one wants to rock the boat.

Chileans, it appears, are too busy making money to waste time on politics. Chile is starting to resemble commercially oriented Singapore instead of its traditionally more volatile neighbors.

For 10 years, the Chilean economy has grown faster than any other country in the Western Hemisphere: an average 6 percent a year. Exports account for more than a quarter of gross domestic product.

With several years' head start in the transformation to open-market was made in other Latin American policies sweeping Latin America's countries. once state-controlled economies. Chile has reached the stage where it is exporting not only products hut gional manager of the Bank of

plants in Argentina, Peru and Bo-As of the first quarter of this

year, Chile's direct foreign investment totaled \$800 million, compared with only \$10 million just live years ago.
Two-thirds of this investment

"Chile is out there pushing," said

General Pinochet retains control of the army, and senators appointed during his government remain in office. While 1.3 million people, 10 percent of the population, have been lifted above the poverty line during Mr. Aylwin's term, there are still large pockets of poverty. And after registering impressive trade surpluses for several years, Chile is facing a deficit this year amid dropping prices for some of its key ex-

ports, such as copper.

America. "They've sort of out-

Chile also now invests about 28

"Only China, Singapore and

Malaysia have a higher rate of in-

estment," Finance Minister Ale

jandro Foxley said. "When you're

talking about Latin America in the

'90s, you're not talking about a

Chile is hardly free of problems,

nor is its democracy unfettered.

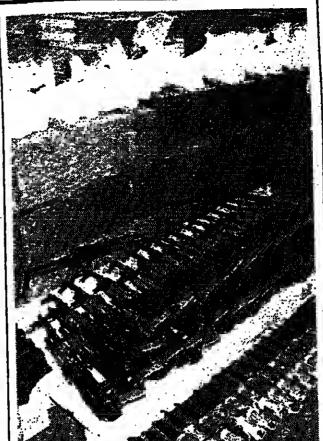
backward economic region.

grown their borders."

percent of its GDP.

Chile's road to economic success has not always been smooth. In late 1982 and early 1983, amid a recession and unemployment reaching percent, General Pinochet's strict monetarist, free-market policies were called into question. The government was forced to inter-vene in the banking system, then bordering on collapse after power-ful business groups that had been allowed to accumulate huge hold-ings in factories and the banks

overborrowed abroad. Still, the economy has been the most dynamic in the region since then and confidence now is high.



ULSTER ARMS PLOT — Weapons on display in Teesport, England, Wednesday after they were intercepted on their way from Poland to Ulster's Protestant extremists. The 300 assault rifles and explosives, Britain's biggest hand, reinforced fears that extremists are getting better armed and financed.

### **India and Pakistan** Set Kashmir Talks

By Molly Moore

NEW DELHI - India and Pakistan are preparing to reopen talks on Kashmir and other disputes after a contentious year in which they

suspended all formal discussions.

The foreign ministries of the two nuclear-capable countries scheduled a new round of talks for Jan. I, spurred on by U.S. State Department officials. It will be the first attempt by the two countries to settle their differences since August last year. This ended an 18-month spell during which there were six meetings. Relations between India and Pakistan sank to a particularly low ebb this year.

Although violence in the disputed border state of Kashmir and Hindu-Muslim riots have made things worse, a combination of events in recent weeks has softened the intransigence and opened the door to a possible turnaround.

The peaceful settlement last week of the siege of a sacred mosque in Kashmir and the election of a new government in Pakistan have given both countries an impetus to resume their dialogue. U.S. officials have increased sugrestions, both publicly and private ly, that the two governments work

thorities worry could lead to potential nuclear conflict. The most serious of the disagree-

to resolve issues that American au-

reported to be aiding the militants civil war against Indian forces. Robert J. Finhorn, U.S. deputy assistant secretary of state for nonproliferation, reiterated Wednesday Washington's interest in the rwo nations' resuming discussions. He did so on a Worldnet television program from Washington spon-sored by the U.S. Information Agency during which panels in New Delhi and Pakistan ques-

tioned him via satellite. In addition, Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher has sent a letter to Prime Minister P.V. Narasimba Rao of India praising him for the peaceful resolution of the siege at the Hazratbal shrine in Kashmir, according to Indian press

reports Wednesday. The peaceful end of the siege creates opportunities for all parties in Jammu and Kashmir to further reduce tensions and begin work on resolving larger issues in a con-structive spirit," Mr. Christopher is reported to have written to Mr.

Many observers believe the government of Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto in Pakistan could be more open to discussions with India on Kashmir and other issues.

In a move that would be considered a positive step by India, Paakistan reportedly has decided not to pursue a resolution in the UN General Assembly on human rights ments is Kashmir, which Pakistan abuses in Kashmir. Diplomatic believes is not part of India and should be allowed to determine dropped because it had the support whether it wants independence of only two nations, Saudi Arahia from India. Pakistan has long been and Bosnia.

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good care of the graves." he said.

African Accuses U.S. Envoy

MALABO Equatorial Guinea — The government of Equatorial Guinea has accused the United States ambassador of witchcraft

The two countries are at odds over elections Sunday that were

boycotted by main opposition parties and denounced in Washington.

Ambassador John E. Bennett said the charge had been made to a

Spanish journalist by the internal security minister. Manuel Mba Ndong. He said police had surprised Mr. Bennett in a graveyard Sunday "taking traditional medicine given to him by election-boycotting opposition parties so the vote would come out badly."

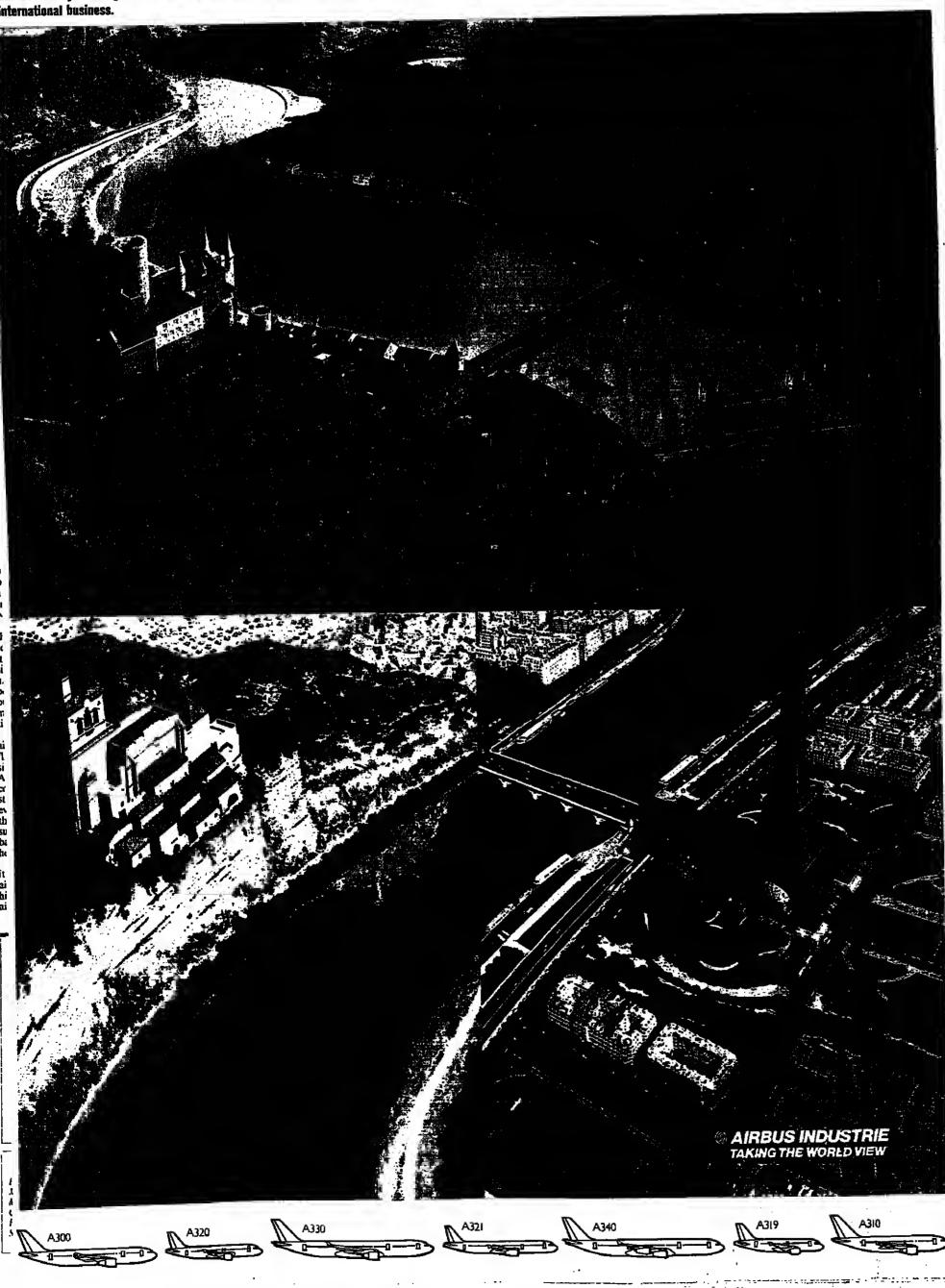
Mr. Bennett acknowledged that he had visited the cemetery, where he has taken responsibility for the graves of 10 British aviators killed

in a 1944 air crash. "I wanted to make sure the gardener was taking

Of Casting Election Spell

because of an election-day visit to British war graves.

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### Tribunal Charges 26 In Rajiv Gandhi Killing

formally charged 26 people on Wednesday in connection with the 1991 assassination of Rajiv Gandhi, the former prime minister.

The accused, who include Indians and Sri Lankan Tamils, all pleaded not guilty, news agencies reported. No date has been set for the trial. The charges, which range from murder conspiracy and terrorist activities to using explosives and forging passports, carry sentences ranging from a few years in prison to death.

Mr. Gandhi, who had been defeated in the 1989 general elections, was at a campaign rally when he was killed on May 21, 1991, by a woman suicide-bomber in Sriperambudur, a town in the southern state of Tamil Nadu. The blast killed 17 other people.

The police say the assassin was a member of the Tamil Tigers guerrilla group, which is fighting for independence io Sri Lanka. Tamil Nadu is just north of Sri Lanka, and many of its 60 million Tamils

supported the insurgents. om satisfied that there are year to complete.

The Associated Press sufficient grounds for proceeding against the accused, said Judge S. M. Siddickk, ending the sevenmonth pretrial procedure in Madras, the capital of Tamil Nadu.

Mr. Gandhi was thought to have been singled out because as prime minister he sent Indian troops to Sri Lanka in 1987 to enforce peace accord between Sri Lanka and the Tamil Tigers. The Tigers spurned the accord, and 1,200 soldiers were killed in the ensuing two years of fighting.

The Tamil Tiger leader, Velupillai Prabhakaran, and an aide, both accused of ordering the assassination, are being sought.

A militant leader who is believed to bave organized the assassination was killed in a shootout last year with policemen in Bangalore, in southern India. Eleven other suspects committed suicide when they were cornered by the police."

Indian courts are known for proceeding slowly. The investigation into the assassination, said to be the longest and most meticulous in India's history, took more than a

### Could the North Triumph? Seoul Calls Report 'Absurd'

absurd on Wednesday a Newsweek as we watched." article on classified U.S. reports that North Korea could win a ground war against the South and occupy Scoul in a week or two.

The magazine cited U.S. Defense Department intelligence reports that North Korea's array of forces and strategic doctrine — coupled with the failure of the joint U.S. South Korea command to respond - have created an opportunity for the North to launch a quick, largescale strike across the demilitarized

Newsweck quoted a Pentagon source as saying recent computer approved them.

simulations showed "the South's SEOUL — A senior South Korean military strategist dismissed as

"Given the security measures between South Korea and the United States, said Kim Su Hyun, a licutenant colonel in the military strategy department of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the predictions in the report "are not correct, they are absurd and unreasonable."

"Our own war games show positive results," Colonel Kim said. "Newsweek's report," the Do-

fense Ministry said, "is groundless and its evidence insufficient." The ministry said Colonel Kim's

### KOREA: More Carrot, Less Stick

said: "Through these negotiations and carrots, you're helping the North Korean regime to survive. Over the next five years, it will develop its nuclear-weapons poten-tial and also be able to keep selling missiles to countries like Iran and

Syria." The doves counter that if North Korea is pushed too hard, its lead-ership could lash out with war or terrorism and that, even if the Pyongyang government falls within the next couple of years, the result will be a bankrupt population even a package of sanctions focused on harder to absorb into a reunified country than was East Germany.
"We don't need to rush things,"

says one Clinton administration of-ficial who is among the doves. Time is on our side, and Pyongyang will be undermined, over the opment. Sooner or later, there will be peaceful reunification between North and South Korea, but gradually, 5 or 10 years down the road."

officials of the Rengan and Bush administrations.

secretary of state for political at- North Korea.

a reversal of long-standing U.S. policy, senior administration offi-cials have held at least two rounds of direct, hilateral negotiations with their North Korean counterparts over the past several months. Another round is planned.

The hawks favor sanctions to unmy. By U.S. estimates, North Korea has had three years of negative economic growth. Its annual output is now less than one-tenth that of South Korea.
"We should begin now to design

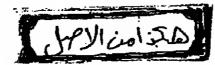
reducing or eliminating North Ko-rean imports of oil." Mr. Kanter argued recently. "Further signifi-cant reductions in oil exports would cripple, if not strangle, the already faltering North Korean economy with unpredictable, but long run, through economic devel- surely serious, political conse-

quences. The doves believe that those pressures will not work. They say sanctions would be effective only if Many of the Reagan and Bush which is North Korea's ally and dministrations.

Arnold Kanter, who was Presional So far, China has said that it dent George Bush's former under- will not support sanctions against

fairs, said: "The Bush Selig S. Harrison of the Carnegie administration took what many ob- Endowment for International servers would characterize as a Peace, one of the most outspoken hard line, refusing to offer any spe- of the doves, said, "The Kim II cific inducements or incentives or even to hold political-level meetines with North Korean officials to less it is convinced that Washingtry to work out a solution."

"The Clinton administration has tried a different tack." he said. "In



### Romanians Search For a Hint of Hope **But Political Elite Holds Back**

By Jane Perlez

Nor Fork Times Service
BUCHAREST — Bundled up igainst the icy cold of an unseason ably early winter, Victoria Uleia shopped at Bucharest's thinly supplied outdoor market, splurging on

heese but not meat.
Mrs. Uleia, a well-paid accountant until she retired four years ago, says she is incomparably worse off financially than she was when the most brutal Communist regime in Eastern Europe collapsed. She is even if details could be worked out glad communism is gone, she said, soon, it would be toward the end of but economic conditions do not winter before an accord could be have to be as bad as they are.

"It's a period of searching, and "The deterioration is reflected in we haven't found the way," the 54. many indicators. The World Bank year-old widow said. "The people conservatively estimates that most in power keep us going backward Romanians spend about 80 percent because they are afraid of losing of their income on food.

According to a professor of socitheir political and economic advan-

Many economists agree. Four years after communism was swept away in Eastern Europe, few economies sparkle. But nowhere is the situation as bleak as in Romania. where the successors to President isescu have balked at reorganizing the economy.

The president since the over-Ceausescu has been lon lliescu, a senior figure in the Ceausescu goveroment. Prime-Minister Nicolae Vacarous and many other ministers were also Ceausescu officials.

In a recent television appearance, Mr. Iliescu said his government had made significant strides toward a market economy. But afterward, one of his ministers rebutted him, saying economic reform

The government is slow on privatization because it represents the big industries," said Dan Pascariu, chairman of the Romanian Bank of Commerce. "The government still productive sector is practically thinks of restructuring as a political concept rather than an economic or

He said this year's two moves in the right direction.—the removal of price controls and the introduction of a value-added tax - had.

A Washington-based Western economist who visits Romania said: "For one reason or another, every effort to bring in a market economy has been subverted."

With inflation at more than 200 percent and the value of the currency plummeting, the government faces the worst possible situation: an economic crisis caused by four years of inaction and an increasingly restive population. On Nov. 18, request for \$25 million to help com-about 50,000 demonstrators plete the plant.

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**TOPICS** 

A Latin Renaissance

For German Youths

A mere decade ago, some educators in Germany sought to strike Latin from their sec-

ondary-school syllabuses; de-mand was virtually nil, But tem-pus fugit, and the trend has dramatically reversed. Dr. Uwe Schmidt, who is

hoth principal and Latin teacher at a Hamburg high school told the weekly Focus that Lat-

in enrollment among first-year students had risen in five years

from 25 percent to 40 percent.

Nationwide, 15 percent of sec-

ondary students are now study-ing classical languages. This renaissance has come

not only in the conservative

southern states, where Latin

was never seriously threatened.

but also the Anglophile north-

Cicero is a superstar in East-

ern Germany, 100, says Dr. Gunter Eckert, an educator in

Halle, who says demand for Latin has been "enormous."

Educators cite, inter alia, a

when a broad humanistic edu-

cation was seen as the key to a

have helped clean the air, but also have saved lives. British

medical journals have reported

**Around Europe** 

With its back against the wall, the government stepped up negoti-ations with the International Mon-etary Fund this month, seeking

Finance Minister Florin Georgescu returned from a trip to Washington this month saying that an agreement had been reached. But American officials said there had been no agreement, and that

signed and money disbursed. The deterioration is reflected in

According to a professor of sociology, Catalin Zamfin, who is the deputy head of the Government Quality of Life Institute, about 20

The Health Ministry announced this month that infant mortality had started to climb again, after dropping since 1989. The 1992 infant mortality rate rose 3 percent, throw and execution of Mr. to 23.4 per 1,000 live births; the average rate for Europe, including the former Communist countries, was just over 10 per 1,000. One of the main reasons that the

International Monetary Fund has refused to lend money is Buchswhose workers, often idle but still on the payrolls, provide Mr. Iliescu with much of his support. Unemployment is 9.5 percent; an artificially low figure that illustrates that restructuring has not started, according to the Commerce Bank.

· Because there has been no restructuring, privatization of the nonexistent. At the same time, production has fallen by almost 50 percent. Still, many state companies get government credits even though they are bankrupt.

A typical example is the steel mill at Calarasi, in eastern Romania. In the 1980s, the Ceausescu government only managed to get But 5,000 workers are employed there, turning out about 300,000 tons of steel a year, a dismal output by world standards.

A Western steel trader visited the plant recently because he was interested in buying cheap steel. But instead of being offered a sale, he

In May, France and Germany

announced plans to establish the corps, which will be the nu-

Community military force. Belgiam later offered a 12,000-man division. But Defense Minister

Leo Delcroix said the division would drop out unless the

Dutch language was given offi-cial status. He based his de-mand on the history of lingually divided Belgium, pointing to the fate of Flemish soldiers in

World War I who died because

they could not understand or-ders from their French-speaking officers. So Eurocorps offi-

cers will communicate among themselves in English, but orders to troops will be in the national language of each unit, and documents will be printed

Any Italian who has waited sterminably in line to pay a bill

or cash a check knows how bad

the bureaucracy is in the coun-

try. Now a government report tells just how bad: The average

Italian spends up to 20 days a year standing in bureaucratic

queues. One reason, according to a new government report, is the ease with which state work-

ers are able to play hookie. Last year, they missed one day of

work, on average, for every 12

bring out crackpots and crimi-nals has somehow survived re-

peated attempts at debunking. As recently as four years ago, the police chief in Ludwigsha-

fen, Germany, ordered extra men on duty during full and

he remained skeptical but final-

ly - "partly out of professional

interest, partly because media people kept asking us"—they ordered an in-depth study. Its findings: Lunar phases had no

significant impact on reported acts of violence or aggression. The crime rate did rise, howev-

er, on hig shopping days, at times of major shifts in weather

and during heat waves.

In fact, police researchers were able to find only one clearly lunar accident — which hap-

pened when a young man pulled his car into oncoming

traffic while trying to park so he could moon-gaze. The police described him as "rather con-

Brian Knowlton

new moons.

in each of the languages.



HEADS UP, VLADIMIR! - Workers at a factory Wednesday near Moscow stocking away some of the hundreds of busts of Legin that were ordered by the former Soviet government in 1990 but were never paid for. The facility, built in 1934, produced about 5,000 monuments a year.

### A Mixed Verdict in Sweden In Plot to Kidnap Wallenberg

Vene York Times Service

LONDON — After weeks of conflicting testimony, a Swedish court has delivered a mixed verdict in a bizarre kidnapping plot that has raised fears in Sweden about crime spilling over from Russia. The case involved five defen-dants — a Polish-born Swede and four Russians — accused of trying to kidnap Peter Wallenberg, the 67-

year-old industrialist who heads the country's most powerful financial dynasiv. The plan, as reconstructed by the police. Was to seize Mr. Wallenberg, whisk him away on a boat and hold him on a descried island in the Stockholm archipelago. A ransom was to be picked up at an underwa-

ter site in the harbor. Under the verdict reached by a panel of four judges, the Polish Swede was sentenced to six years in jail for conspiracy to kidnap: three Russians were acquitted, and a fourth Russian was given two months in jail for using a false

Swedes followed the case closely. For many of them, it raised the specier that the breakdown of auinal networks there to reach out and prev upon Sweden's well-ordered society.

For years now we've been talking about the Russian mafia. but

crime like this -- well-financed and well-planned," said Rolf Hansson. an island outside Stockholm and chief of the detective squad in the

From his vantage, little that comes from the East is good. In a recent interview in Stockholm, be said that in July three Russians had carried out an armed robbery at a post office nearby and been caught when they were spotted switching

In Stockholm, the police say Russian and Latvian gangsters have brought a new tide of drugs. In the kidnapping case, the defendant who was convicted, Marek Salamandra, 44, a Pole who be-came a Swedish citizen in 1977. admitted to plotting an abduction. But he said he had been forced into

t by a "Russian mafia leader." Somehow, he obtained classified items from Soviet military stocks. including a meter-long torpedoshaped underwater transport vehicle and special equipment for

breathing underwater.
Three Russians came on the fery from Helsinki. One was a diver-The other two were truck drivers who insisted before the court that they had been recruited as chauffeurs and that they had no idea that they were being drafted into a criminal enterprise.

The plot soon went awry. The three Russians, joined by a fourth. stayed in a tent on an empty island.

were flabbergasted by what they in boats, patrolling on foot, even in a helicopter. A unit of Swedish marines plied the water in kayaks. Mr.

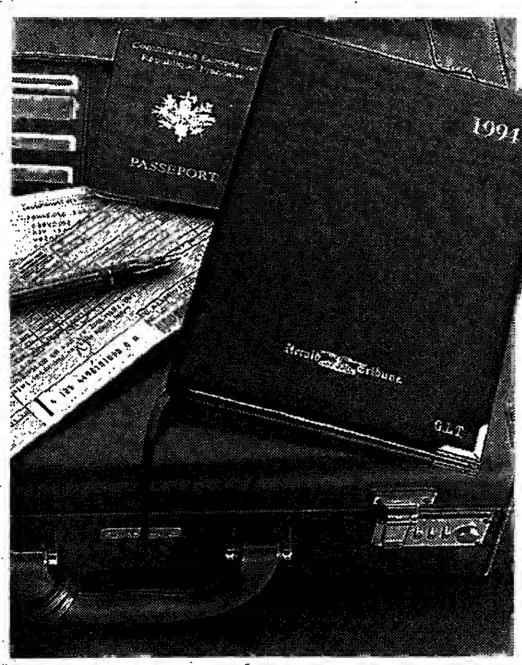
President George Bush. We think they didn't realize what was going on," said Mr. Hansson. "They couldn't read Swedish. They dido't follow public events. We think that when they passed Mr. Wallenberg's place and saw all those policemen every-where, they realized they couldn't

do it. They panicked." The men turned up at the gate to Mr. Wallenberg's estate the follow-ing day and asked to see him. The police were called, and when they urrived, the Russians handed over the Polish Swede, who was in handcuffs, along with two pistols and a hand grenade. All were arrested.

#### Kuwait-Russia Defense Pact

Agence France-Presse KUWAIT — Kuwait's defense minister, Sheikh Ali as Sabah as Salim as Subah, is to sign a military pact with Russia during a five-day visit to Moscow next week. A ministry official said Wednesday that joint maneuvers would form the backbone of the military accord. the first of its kind between Kuwait

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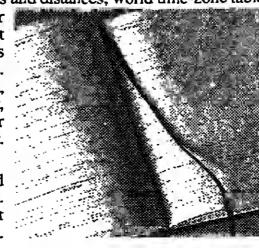
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the cases of several men who attempted suicide by funneling exhaust fumes into the passenger compartments of their cars, but who survived because the converters had cut carbon mon-

oxide levels so low. Carbon monoxide poisoning, reports The Times of London, is the most common form of suicide among young men in Britain, claiming 1,000 lives a year. But catalytic converters became mandatory to new cars sold this year, and experts — who point out that suicide rates depend on he easy availability of a methed -- expect a noticeable decline in the rate through the end

Belgium has won its battle to have Dutch included as an official language of the Eurocorps.

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### The Same Rules for China

Bill Clinton decided a couple of months ago to try to improve relations with China, but so far the Chinese have not given him much to work with. In the big Seattle conference last weekend, China's President Jiang Zemin was polite but not responsive. The most troubling implication of China's attitude toward the rest of the world is that it frequently seems to claim a special status to which the rules that biad other countries do not apply.

President Clinton has good reasons to try in work out a less prickly and adversarial approach to China. It has nuclear missiles, a booming economy and increasingly important trade with the United States, Mr. Clinton also wants its help with other pressing business in Asia, like, for example, persuading North Korea to abandon its pursuit of nuclear weapons.
But the impediments to a warmer friend-

ship are not trivial, and if Mr. Clinton ever forgot them Congress would promptly - and correctly - remind him.

The notorious Chinese violations of burnan rights are not merely, as China's defenders sometimes suggest, a collision between the cultural values of the rich West and a poor Asian country. They trespass against standards acknowledged by most of the world, including countries like India, no richer than China, and they are embodied in international

statements that China itself has signed. China's government resents the American policy that makes commercial access in American markets conditional on greater respect for the civil rights of the Chinese people. But if China is to enjoy the benefits, like trade, of being part of the larger world, it is going to have to

recognize that there are obligations as well. Similarly, the Chinese resent the sanctions that the United States imposed on them when they sold missile technology in Pakistan. But that is part of a worldwide effort to hold down the spread of missiles, and China has as great an interest in its success as any other country.

When China's trade with the United States was minor, the disproportion between imports and exports could be ignored. But now it has expanded enormously, and no one should be surprised that Americans are beginning to ehallenge the arrangements that hold American exports to China at less than one-third of China's exports to America.

In all of these disparate issues, the question is whether China is prepared to recognize the same rules and codes of cooduct as most other countries. As Americans' dealings with China become closer and more significant, that is the key point on which President Clinton needs reassurance.

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

### **Back to Family Planning**

the State Department on Tuesday when officials of the Agency for International Development met with family planning organiza-tions to announce resumption of U.S. aid to the International Planned Parenthood Federation. The IPPF, representing 130 national family planning associations, bas received no American foreign aid funds since 1984. when President Ronald Reagan adopted the so-called Mexico City policy.

That directive barred foreign noogovernmental organizations from receiving aid money if they used funds from other sources for abortion-related activities. President Bill Clinton's reversal of that policy two days after his inauguration led to this week's IPPF grant of \$13.2 million, part of a \$75 million five-year commitment. Like all AID populanon grants, it is given on condition that no U.S. money will be used for abortions.

While the Reagan and Bush administrations suspended American participation in a number of international family planning efforts, they did not abandon these programs entirely. In fact, population hudgets in hilateral programs continued to be increased. The United States is by far the largest donor of

cent of the total worldwide. Only one nation, Norway, earmarks a higher percentage of its development assistance for this purpose.

Great progress has been made in recent years, with fertility rates and average family size decreasing markedly in the developing world. But the total world population continues to grow because the number of couples in their childbearing years is still rising.
If current rates of growth continue, the
world's population, now 5.5 billion, will double in 40 years.

Development economists know that economic growth, political stability, health, education resources and the environment are all adversely affected by uncontrolled population growth. The Reagan and Bush admin istrations sought to play down the impor-tance of this crucial factor. At Tuesday's ceremony, AID Administrator Brian Atwood emphasized the Clinton administration's commitment to providing family planning information and services through the foreign aid program. The understanding and the pledge of continued support were no less important than the IPPF grant,

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### **Quiet Days in the City**

New Yorkers live and breathe the rattle and burn of their city. How could they oot, with 8 million people streaming along the sidewalks, jamming the subways or circling the block in a vain search for parking spaces? Once, cushiooy daytime silence in the city came only with snowstorms or holidays. These days, however, the holiday seasoo - in this case Thanksgiving -- seems to have stretched and grown, providing a blessed period of tranquillity longer than any that went before.

In times past. Thanksgiving was a four-day retreat, with all but the hard-core truants back at their desks by Monday morning. But 1992 their leisure, no broken-field running data reveal that subway ridership on the Monellows needed. All in all, evidence of day after Thanksgiving was lower than on any other nonholiday weekday in November.

Great Expanding Holiday.

— THE NEW 1

Statistics tell only part of the story. Anecdotal evidence suggests that this year Thanksgiving actually kicked io on Monday. At 8 A.M. there seemed in be markedly fewer beels clicking along the sidewalks, far fewer cars than usual roaring into life. The subway and commuter trains were luxuriously uncrowded, with space enough for riders in spread the paper and read it.

Times Square, compared with its customary torrents of humanity, seemed as sleepy as a small city square. Pedestrians enjoyed the room around them and proceeded at their leisure, no broken-field running or

### Mexicans, Japanese and Europeans Aren't Threats

over NAFTA leaves what the generals call collateral damage in its wake: Mexicans, Japanese and Europeans emerge from this all-American light with bruised feelings and

wounded pride. The passage of NAFTA does not settle the issue but instead fuels what will be a national trade debate. It is a debate not only about economics and pork-barrel politics, but also about national psychology. Debates on trade and comparative living standards arouse deep national dreams and fears more

vividly than any other topic.

Americans for the past half-century have usually been the targets in trade fights. American economic muscle was seen by Europeans and many in the Third World as a source of global imperialism and vulgarity. French Marxists circa 1950 indignantly accused America of trying to impose "a civilization of bathtubs and Frigidaires" and Coca-Cola on the world to promote a sayage consumerism and Yankee economic dominance.

Like most national stereotypes, there was a kernel of truth in that view. But NAFTA shows how things have changed. Today Americans also express insecurities about their place in the world by stereotyping the economic motives and abilities of other peoBy Jim Hoagland

ples. Today it is Americans who need to ask themselves if they are oot letting cultural prejudices (cloaked as "populism") influence their view of harsh economic realities.

Taking the big hit in the NAFTA debate were Mexican workers, portrayed by Ross Perot as poor slobs dreaming of outhouses. Second place on the casualty list goes to the Mexican government, which U.S. unions painted as running labor gulags to attract loreign investors.

The NAFTA victory will be balin for Mexican wounds. Less visible are the side effects of the words spoken by President Bill Clinton and Vice President Al Gore about America's trading rivals. The White House conjured up the specter of Japanese businessmen greedify licking their chops and preparing to swarm in on the Mexican economy if NAFTA failed. It was a pressure tactic aimed at Congress. But the impact hit in Tokyo, where some executives and officials discerned an undertone of "the yellow peril" in the Clinton-Gore thetonc. "A superpower should be concerned about its dignity, even in such debates," observes a Japanese official sympathetic to the Clinton administration. "Besides, in this case the idea

that Japanese investment would pour into Mexico without NAPTA is not even true." Japan is as sensitive about its wealth and

success in trade as Mexico is about its poverty. France's Charles de Ganlle once infunated an entire nation by dismissing a visiting Japanese prime minister as "a transistor salesman."

Today the Japanese are portrayed as inter-national predators and notiveau riche bumpkins, much as Americans were depicted abroad at the height of U.S. postwar prosperi-ty. The economic jealousies and insecurities that fed anti-Americanism in the Cold War are directed at others now.

In a lucid book published some six months ago but which is brought into proper perspec-tive by the NAFTA debate, Richard Kuiscl recalls the period when Europeans alternately hoped and feared that their societies would succumb in the American way of life - "a. lifestyle centered on acts of purchase, instant obsolescence, meessant advertising," urban-

ization and "the corruption of language."

The book, "Seducing the French," is a study of France's combative response to America's economic and military begamony in Europe after World War II. That response was a mixture of panic, paranoia and Gallic pragmatism. French intellectuals fought against the importation of Coca-Cola as a

liquid agent of imperialism while the public quietly staged its own consumer goods revo-lution and modernized the country under the noses of the political elite.

Mr. Knisel, a State University of New York

history professor, uses the battle over Coke in the 1950s and its hybrid result as an example of the realities of the globalization of the consumer society. The unions and Marxist politicians who fought to ban Coca-Cola as a threat to French wine sales and to French health lost in parliament. But Coke sales in Europe today are lowest in France, where the real thing is served as an aperitif at \$5 a throw on the Champs-Elystes.

In myriad other ways, French fears of America's economic and cultural domination have proved in he vasily exaggerated and French culture far more durable than the alarmists predicted.

"Modern culture is eclectic and porous," Mr. Kuisel writes. His words should be considered by Americans who panic over the Mexican threat, or the Japanese threat, or the general foreign threat, in America today. The task that the country faces is to realize how "eclectic and porous" the global economy is, and to adapt instead of fighting unrealistic rearguard actions.

The Washington Post

### The Seattle Lesson for Europeans Is to Get Their Act Together

BRUSSELS — There is today a wailing and a gnashing of teeth in the old continent, from the Scottish highlands to the orange groves of Sicily. For the United States has just jilted Europe and has taken up with someone else, an attractive girl from Asia. The British are particularly upset, and go around muttering about the "special relationship."
Few tears should be shed for this piece of mythology.

The British bave never really understood that the United States is far less interested in them than they are in it. The United States is not prepared to sacrifice its national interests for a sentimental memory.

But it has come as something of a shock to Europeans in general that Washington now tends in dismiss them as a stick-in-the-mud, oldfashioned lot doomed to get their own act together, whether in getting rid of 12 separate funny moneys in a single market or trying in keep the Asia, on the other hand, is held up By Roy Denman

as the region of the future. Restaurants in Washington have long been full of men murmuring that 40 percent of the world's population lives along the Pacific Rim, that the very countries that took part in the recent Seattle summit meeting produce be-tween them half of the world's national product, and that fantastic growth in Asia is likely to continue. If the United States, already

linked in a free trade area with Canada, its biggest customer, and shortly in be joined by Mexico in the world's biggest free trade area, were team up and integrate with the Pacific countries, then there would be two chickens in every pot, three cars in every garage, and those pes-ky Europeans holding up the world trade talks in Geneva would have to come to heel - that was the theme song of the Seattle summit.
The inaccuracies in this picture.

vary from the banal to the bizarre. Canada is not the biggest trading

partner of the United States. It bought \$90 billion of U.S. exports last year, compared to \$103 billion for the European Community. And NAFTA will not be the world's biggest free trade area. Its population will he 366 million, a quarter of which (Mexico's) will have a per capita annual income of just over \$2,000, a fraction of the North American or European average. The EC popula-tion figure, with the European Free

Trade Association, is 373 million. It is misleading to confuse eco-nomic power with size and popula-tion. China has a population of some 1.2 billion, yet its gross national product for 1991 was estimated at \$371 billion, about a third that of Italy. The four "tigers" of Asia -South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand and Hong Kong -together have a GDP equivalent to that of Spain plus Por-

tugal. Add mainland China to the tigers' and you have an economic weight about the size of Italy or

Britain. Indonesia's GDP is little ed. "I'm not quite sure what he's talking about." A British newspaper more than half Belgium's. Certainly growth rates in Asia are higher than in Western Europe's or

North Americas today. But for the medium term Asia, with the excep-tion of Japan, will be small beer compared with Europe or America. Another misconception is to think of the Pacific Rim countries forming a trading bloc with the United States. The idea that countries as different and as far apart as Australia, the United States, China and South Korea could, in the foreseeable future, form even a free

The summit meeting in Scattle could not realistically have been expected to produce more than hot air and warm feelings. Even the latter were oot always present. China gave Mr. Clinton a flea in the ear after a

lecture on human rights.

Mr. Climton predicted progress within the next year in reducing Japan's huge trade surplus, but the Japanese prime minister comment-

summed up the meeting as "a tri-

umpb of hype over hope."
No one denies that by the middle of the 21st century Asia will be a very powerful force in the world economy, But, as Keynes said, in the long term we are all dead. The primary task of governments is in deal with the next 10 years. Americans need to realize that there is, in international trade, no magie shortcut to an Asian El Dorado.

Europeans need to come to grips with the fact that with the end of the Cold War Enrope has become less important to the United States, that a greater American interest in Asia is an inevitable product of U.S. demographics and Asian development, and that the more Europe can get its act together the more interestng a partner it will be. Both Europe and America need to remember that there is no substitute for a world-

### The Reform Prescription for Russians Is Stronger Democracy

S TOCKHOLM — In opinion polls, Russians consistently name inflation and crime as their chief concerns. However different, these are results of the most crucial problem that most former Communist countries face: The state is too weak, while the old Communist elites are too strong.

This was true even before the demise of communism. State power was diluted, and each senior bureaucrat was his own dictator. I realized that in 1986 when I visited the Soviet agricultural planning committee. A re-form decree had been signed by Mikhail Gor-bachev, but the officials laughed at it and said

own interests, not orders from above. One reason why Mr. Gorbachev failed to reform the Soviet Union was that so few obeyed him. The state as a policy-making center had simply withered away, although not quite as

nothing would change. They cared about their

By Anders Aslund

interests of the Communist elite - who were frantically trying to transform their power into wealth before they were ousted ...

Inflation and crime are effective means of transferring money from the state to the old elite. Agricultural and industrial bosses get subsidized credit from the central bank at interest rates as low as 10 percent (a process rife with corruption and bribery), while ordinary people see their savings and buying power eaten away by inflation that reached 2,500 percent in 1992. Even so, Russia has not done all that badly.

It has avoided the hyperinflation that rages in Ukraine, where inflation will probably exceed 10,000 percent this year, while Russia's is likely

to stay around 1,000 percent.
Out of 27 countries in Eastern Europe and e former Soviet Union, only

national Monetary Fund. The relatively successful countries are mainly Central European (Poland, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary and Slovenia), but two former Soviet republics have also had stunning successes: Latvia (22 percent) and Estonia (27 percent).

The eight countries with inflation under control have two features in common. They have all gone through democratization, with free and fair parliamentary elections; non-Communist parties have won and formed governments. And they have all undertaken swift and farreaching systemic change.

A second group of countries, typified by Romania and Lithuania, have gone through democratization, but post-Communists have won early elections and they have opted for a gradual transition to a market economy. Both save inflation of around 200 percent a year. But most of the countries in the former

ence between failure and success is the re-creation of a state policy apparatus. The only way to establish a legitimate state - with power over fiscal and monetary policies, legis-lation and the imposition of the rule of law - is democratic parliamentary elections. Without free parliamentary elections, Russia's

remained too Communist. The crucial differ-

post-Communist government has been too weak to resist demands for state subsidies from the old elite and to prosecute rampant corruption. That is why next month's parliamentary elec-

tions are so important. They are a necessary, though far from sufficient, condition for combating inflation and crime. If the leading reform party, Russia's Choice, does well, Russia should at long last be able to get a grip on the problems that threaten it from within.

The writer, director of the Stockholm Institute art Mark envisioned.

There was no state representing the common inflanon lower than 50 percent this year; the citier because they have been too preoccupied adviser to the Russian government. He contribute interest, but a state apparatus representing the average is forecast at 582 percent by the Inter- with national security or because they have just ed this comment to The New York Times.

### Airline Blues, Continued

Call it luck, call it skill or just good timing. shorter-hop airlines that have far lower operbut President Bill Clinton's telephone appeals to American Airlines and its flight attendants halted a strike, eased holiday travel strains and scored points with NAFTA-burned organized labor.

That was the result of his suggestion that the two parties let an arbitrator settle their remaining differences, a practice not without its dangers. Officials were quick to empha-size that the president saw the situation as unique and that this does not mean he will become involved in other large labor disputes. That should be reassuring to management as well as labor: presidential interven-tion can backfire in many ways.

In this instance it became clear that the airline had underestimated the resolve of the flight attendants, whose union had been considered one of the weakest in the industry. American already was battling to reduce costs, but it was losing big money as the strike continued to cripple operations. However unattractive binding arbitration was to the airline's management, as a presidential suggestion it afforded a way to get American back in the air and back in better graces with

On whatever terms this dispute is settled, it will not be the end of upheavat in the U.S. airline industry, which has lost nearly \$10 billion in the past three years. All the hig airlines are competing against no-frills.

ating costs per passenger seat. The larger airlines are working to cut jobs, eliminate certain routes, sell off divisions of their oper-ations and alter schedules — all moves bit-

terly opposed by the unions. Transportation Secretary Federico Pena stressed that the administration did not attempt to play the role of negouator in the American strike. He observed that this dispute did show that changes are coming, that competition will force the big airlines to further reduce costs somehow. If anything is sure, it is that the resolution of these continuing and complex problems will not come nearly as easily as did the end of this strike.

The Clinton administration needs to consider when and how best to intervene the next time, and the time after that, It is a highly inflammatory situation.

Unlike the railroads a generation ago, the airlines probably do not face massive reductions in labor force over the long term. Instead, the fights will be over the constant pressures to cut the wages of the people they employ. It is not up to the government to decide what directions the evolution of the airline industry is to take. But it is worth thinking about ways to hold down the disruption to the national transportation system, and the inconvenience to travelers, as the process goes forward.

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## Hurry Up, Hong Kong Requires a Human Rights Commission

HONG KONG — Chris Patten, the governor of Hong Kong, is a fine public speaker. He talks about "ethical values" in the tradition of John Stuart Mill. At a recent lecture in England, be said: "Liberty, for which men and women have fought for centuries, is an ultimate political value. By liberty I mean that we can live our own lives, think our own thoughts, speak our own minds,"
Mr. Patten rehashed that lecture

for a Hong Kong audience in a speech on Monday to the Foreign Correspondents Club. For the first time, be spoke at length about human rights on home ground. The irony is that the governor presides over Hong Kong, which is about in pass from the values of a British system that respects the rights of the individual in the dictatorial values of China, with one of the worst human rights re-

It was about time that Mr. Patten spoke out about buman rights in Hong Kong, "Liberty" had no place in his first policy address, in 1992. It bad hardly any place in his address this year. The best he could do was in say he would ask a government department to "take responsibility for buman rights issues and for related areas such as press freedom and data protection."

It would have been reassuring on Monday to hear Mr. Patten develop in detail his thoughts on how Hong Kong can safeguard personal freedoms both before and after it is handed over to China in 1997. He was erand on principles but disappointing on how to put them into practice. It is true that the Chinese-British Joint Declaration signed in 1984, and the Basic Law, which is China's miniconstitution for Hong Kong after 1997, commit Beijing to uphold the territory's rights and freedoms, But it is clear that words like "rights."

"freedoms" and "democracy" have a

very limited meaning for China. If the Chinese government believes that the conditions prevailing in the country amount to genuine democracy and freedom, as its officials claim, Hong Kong has every reason to fear for the future of its rights and freedoms after 1997. The harassment in China of religious leaders, the arrests and re-arrests of trade unionists and dissidents, and the detention of journalists in the past few months have

By Christine Loh tivist who was denied re-entry to his

return to China, without success. He now languishes in Hong Kong.
Only afterward did China's Public
Security Ministry say that Mr. Han
was expelled because he had violated the country's constitution and other Chinese laws. For good measure, Beijing informed Mr. Han that his passport had been canceled.

In response to persistent requests from Mr. Han that he be allowed to return home. Chinese officials said that he would first have in "repent." Is repentance, in the Chinese authorities, a proper substitute for the judicial process? Is the Chinese state the sole arbiter of the form and sub-stance of repentance? This is all quite absurd. The Chinese government makes a mockery of itself by de-manding a confession of guilt to force

an individual into submission. Through its concept of "socialist legality," China can effectively ren-der one of its nationals stateless by administrative means. There is no separation of powers. The interests of the state, as represented by the Communist Party, are paramount. The state provides and defines "rights" and uses the law as its instrument.

The party stands above the government. It can interpret, misinterpret or simply ignore the law. Not infre-quently, laws in China are applied oo subjective basis to assert the will of the party. Not only is there no promise of remedy to ensure the citizen's enjoyment of his or der rights, but the rights themselves can be canceled by the state. Hence the extraordinary

case of Han Dongfang. Hoog Kong believes that civil lib-erties must be safeguarded against abuse by law and the legal process. It also believes in the inherent and universal nature of individual rights. There is an authentic rule of law in the territory.

To preserve these rights and freedoms after 1997, in substance as well as in name, Hong Kong must rely on its own legal and administrative mechanisms. It must concentrate now on doing everything possible to ensure that those mechanisms are well established by 1997, and that they command the respect of society. This is the best, although not footproof, protechad a chilling effect on Hong Kong.

Consider the extraordinary case of the against possible pressure from Han Dongfang, a Chinese labor ac- Beijing after the handover.

The introduction of a Bill of Rights own country. Since his expulsion in 1991 for Hong Kong to reinforce human rights was a step in the right human rights was a step in the right direction, even if it took the horrors of the bloody repression of the prodemocracy movement in China in shock the British and Hong Kong governments into taking such a step. However, since the bill took effect, the Hong Kong government has seemed reinctant to give full expres-sion in its spirit and principles.

In particular, it has been slow in striking down or amending lesser laws which conflict with the bill. Meanwhile, the courts are too crowded and too expensive to offer a realis-tic avenue in private citizens seeking to enforce provisions of the bill.

Most worrying China refuses to give any firm andertaking about upholding the bill after 1997. Chinese officials have on several occasions threatened to do away with it. The most recent attack was by Lu Ping. the senior official with direct responsibility for Hong Kong affairs. He asserted that the bill made law enforcement more difficult.

Further protection of Hong Kong's rights and freedoms ought to be available through the United Na-nons Human Rights Committee, which monitors implementation of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. The Chinese British joint declaration says that the provisions of the covenant will continue to apply after 1997, a pledge echoed in the Basic Law. But serious political and technical obstacles make that pledge dubious. For China is not a signatory of the covenant. All Mr. Patten has had to say about the matter is that it would be "a welcome

step" if China acceded to it. Beijing may claim that it intends to observe the covenant's spirit in its dealing with Hong Kong. But based on its rhetoric and performance, Chine is unlikely to understand the obligations of the covenant in the way that they are understood in Hong Kong. It is unlikely that Beijing will accept the discipline of reporting on human

rights in the territory to the UN human rights committee. Yet this discipine is an integral part of the provisions and protections of the covenant. For these reasons, Hong Kong needs to set up an independent human rights commission as soon as possible. It should have two maio objectives, one relating to the bill of

pervision. Such a commission should serve as the guardian of the bill. It should be an independent and expert body able to hear complaints and submissions from the public, and to advise the government on new and

Further, it should be capable of originating legislation, and of secur-ing introduction of legislation directly into the legislature, whenever it siders that such action is needed. It should also be given the power to amend existing laws to bring them into line with the bill of rights.

Whether or not such legislation was enacted would remain a matter for the Hong Kong legislature, but the effect would be to create a fast track through which deliciencies in the law could be corrected. A human rights commission

should also serve as Hong Kong's link with the UN buman rights com-mittee. It should report on the buman rights situation in the territory. It should have a statutory duty to alert the committee if it believes that there is any systematic abuse of human rights in the territory.

There is an important job to be done, and we in Hong Kong need a human rights commission in do it.

by a strong-minded and legally skilled executive commissioner, supported by a professional secretariat. The dismissal of the commission should require a two-thirds vote

of the legislature.

Mr. Patten, for all the fine sentments he expressed in England and
more recently in Hong Kong, has conspicuously omitted in throw his weight behind creation of a buman rights commission. Nor has he been any more robust than the rest of the British government in pressing China publicly for a firm date prior in 1997 on which it will accede to the internadonal covenant and so fulfill its doty under the Joint Declaration. It is simply not good enough to be strong on principles but weak on implementa-

tion for fear of upsetting China. History will be the ultimate judge of British actions in the final years of colonial rule. It is unlikely to he very indulgent in those who have talked of liberty without taking all possible measures to preserve it.

The writer studied law in England, traded commodities for 12 years and is now a member of the Hong Kong Legislative Council She contributed this

comment to the Herald Tribune.

### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: Admirer of Ladies PARIS - A curious little scene was witnessed on the boulevard des Ita-

liens on Thursday evening [Nov. 23]. A man was walking along smiling delightedly, and accompanying an animated soliloguy with energetic gestures. The drift of his remarks was to the effect that women were charming creatures, and that nothing else in the world merited the attention of man. Some policemen came up, and as soon as he saw them the admirer of women pointed them out in the crowd, saying that it was thanks to them that he had no opportunity of enjoying the society of a woman for four years past. It was later found that he had escaped from a lunatic asylum.

1918: Singing in Retreat WITH THE AMERICAN ARMIES

- All reports indicate that the German Army is in splendid spirits in the retreat, proceeding along the road with decorated camions, the men singing and evidently delighted to get home. In Trèves there are huge signs welcoming bome "our unbeaten he roes." If the people of Treves actually believe that their heroes are "unbeaten" they are certainly optimistic, but they probably put those signs up just to cheer the men. There was no real enthusiasm among the people as the troops passed through.

1943: 'King of Targets'

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LONDON - [From our New York edition:] As Berlin sought today [Nov. 24] to dig itself out of the rubble and quench the flames left by last night's devastating attack by Royal Air Force bombers, an RAF commentator indicated that there would be no let-up in the terrific pounding of the German capital. Berlin residents were given an inkling of what is to come when the commentator described the city with its nearly 200 war factories as "the king of all targets." He added: "We have waited a long time to bomb Berlin."

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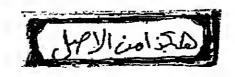
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### Labor's NAFTA Defeat Shifts the Battle Lines

By E. J. Dionne

WASHINGTON — No. orga-nized labor is not a dead force in American politics. Yes, the nnions picked the wrong fight in opposing the North American Free Trade Agreement; but they picked the wrong fight for the right rea-sons. And yes, labor needs a new political strategy, the seeds of which may have been planted dur-ing the campaign against NAFTA.

It has been a nasty few months for the unions. They have been accused of all the usual sins, but: with unusual vengeance. Lane Kirkland, the toast of conservatism for his support of free trade union-ism in Poland, is condemned as some sort of isolationist by many of those who used to praise him. Why? Because he continues to raise the same workers' rights issues about countries that happen to be U.S. trading partners.

The unions are said to represent "special interests." But it is hard to see why principled NAFTA foes like Representatives David Bonior and John Lewis are more guilty of this sin than congressmen who cast their NAPTA votes in return for concessions on such broad public

concerns as sugar and citrus.

It is true that the unions played rough with people who deserved better, members of Congress with solid pro-labor records who happened to think the AFL-CIO was dead wrong about NAFTA. But was what President Bill Chinton labeled the "naked pressure" used by the unions fundamentally different from the pro-NAFTA pressure that tended to wear pinstriped suits? It was a hard fight, and everybody played to win.

And as the unions charged, it is true that those who have much less to fear from the new world economy were a bit too eager to con-

In the end, it was a good thing that NAFTA prevailed. The unions are absolutely right in arguing that one of the paramount economic questions for the United States right now is how to maintain the living standards of average Americans in the face of a global economic upheaval. But beating. NAFTA was not the answer to this onundrum, and would probably have made things worse.

The most likely outcome of NAFTA's passage is greatly in-creased economic growth in Mexico -much in the interest of the American economy and its workers -at the cost of far less disruption in the-U.S. economy than NAFTA's foes. claimed. To the extent that winning on NAFTA improved Mr. Clinton's: trade talks nearing completion; that

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too is a plus. ... In truth, Ross Perot's "giant sucking sound of jobs leaving the lower-skilled jobs to poor countries all over the world. That process:

NAFTA. And job flight is not the only problem American workers confront. More jobs may be lost in coming years to sophisticated machines than to the Third World.

The unions have been dealt a very difficult band, and they have to play. it as manufacturing jobs that were remain under threat. The figures reported by Richard Rothstein this summer in the quarterly American Prospect make disheartening reading for labor's friends. From 1975 10 1991, steelworkers union mempership dropped from I million to 500,000; the International Ladies Garment Workers Union went from 350,000 to 150,000; and the Machinists Union from 800,000 to 500,000.

Because unions were once so strong in certain sectors, labor's engagement in politics was often defined by its defense of particular industries from foreign competition. That made it easy for labor's foes to hang the "special interest" label on the entire movement. For all the problems with labor's anti-NAFTA campaign, this was a broader battle—the unions staked their case on a defense of living

standard across the economy. . Yet labor will not regain lost ground unless it makes clear (as some unions have started to do) that. its goal is not to stop the economic clock. Disrupting existing patterns is a cost of economic growth. The issue is how the disruptions are dealt with, and therein lies labor's opportunity. It needs to refashion itself as the institution that persistently asks the hard questions about this process: At whose expense will this great global market be created? How can the transition costs be shared fairly?

Asking these questions would define labor's relationship with the Clinton administration. To the extent that the president remains true to his promises to put those who "work hard and play by the rules" at the center of his program, the unions will find themselves in his camp - and he in theirs, as Mr. Clinton proved to be Monday when he helped the flight attendants end their strike against American Airlines. The unions can be a force in favor of a universal health program, serious job training, public works investment, inno-

vations in labor law. It is worth remembering that the New Deal was not the creation of Franklin Roosevelt alone, Mr. Roosevelt took many of his most enduring social initiatives because he ing position, in the world came under pressure from a labor and crimes against humanity in movement that spoke for more than the former Yugoslavia. parochial interests. Labor was proud to be Mr. Roosevel's ally, has provided inadequate funding but not afraid to oppose him as and its bureaucracy has created in-Mexico. It is about the departure of ened labor movement may yet find inspiration from its glory days.

... The Washington Post.



### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

cause of given penalties. But it is

inconceivable that the death penal-

ty or long prison sentences deter no

one in a country of 260 million. If

only one murderer is deterred and

one innocent life therefore spared,

it is worth hanging a whole class

The overriding purpose of the

DONALD COHEN.

Lausanne, Switzerland.

Regarding "Can the Senate Leg-

islate an End to Street Crime?" by

Clifford Krauss and un stem in

"Away From Pohnes" (Nov. 13):

How often the chance juxtaposi-

One recent story describes the

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their respective contents into en-

U.S. Senate in the throes of crime

legislation - hang-'em-high war-

riors want to execute criminals

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crimes). Little is said about wheth-

er this is morally repugnant or

whether it will help reduce crime

process) and more frequently (de-

riminal justice system should not

be based on the rehabilitation of

the criminal but on the protection

of violent criminals.

of the innocent.

No Easy Solution

tirely new perspective.

#### The Golan Factor

One gets the impression from the world press that the delay in starting talks between Israel and Syria is due to Israel's refusal to return the Golan Heights to Syria. No attention is paid, by the me-

dia or by officials of the countries involved in the preparatory con-tacts, to the fact that Israel occupied the Golan Heights not by way of aggression but as a direct result Syria's attack on Israel. It is unreasonable, unfair and

illogical to expect Israel to return the Golan Heights to Syria prior to receiving a definite assurance from Syria of no future attacks on Israel. and Syria's definite, elear commitment to conclude reasonable and acceptable negotiations.

PAUL KOLLEK. Jerusalem

#### Difficult but Feasible

Regarding "Balkan War-Crimes Panel: Head-On Into Crisis? (Nov. 13) by John Pomfret:

This article presents too gloomy picture of the prospects for the tribunal established by the United Nations to prosecute and punish those responsible for war crimes

It is true that the United Nations that the evidence on which to base indictments against the arch-crimi-

task facing the unburnal is less formi-

dable than the article suggests.

Nongovernmental buman rights groups, notably Helsinki Watch. mnesty International, Physicians for Human Rights, and others, as well as indigenous bodies in Saraievo and Zenica. have closely documented many crimes.

It is well established in interna-

tional law and in the statute of the tribunal that commanders are responsible for the erimes of their troops. Accordingly, the task is to prove that certain crimes were committed and to identify the commanders. This is less formidable than proving which soldier did what to whom. Demonstrating which leaders were responsible is not a Herculean task.

ARYEH NEIER. New York.

### Protect the Innocent

### Regarding "When Panic Threat-

ens Democracy" Opinion (Oct. 30): Richard Coben refers to the murderer of a tourist in Florida. saying that a death penalty for him would be simply another killing. as mindless as the other." No. To kill someone who is

proven guilty in open court of a heinous crime is not the moral equivalent of murdering an innocent person. "Mindless" is just another cant word, as absurd as the psychobabble that depicts

verifiable: We cannot know how nals is being assembled and that the many crimes are not committed be-

#### WASHINGTON — A typical they feel trapped and frightened, image of Haiti in these days worned both about their own safety tion mentality; if the pie grows for the poor, it will shrink for the rich. and their houses and property. They are as concerned about violence and

By Anne-Christine d'Adesky

of poliucal turmoil is that of poor black villagers fleeing persecution, or setting off on leaky boats toward Miami. Less Visible is the predominantly white and mulatto elite, the people with walkie-talkies and guns in their Jeeps who ginger-ly venture through the capital to buy their fuel on the black market. Although the international em-hargo and a U.S. threat of freezing

#### MEANWHILE visas and Haitian assets abroad

have yet to seriously affect the island's traditional ruling minority. they have locused new attention on its role in Hauf's deepening crisis, To outside observers, the wealthy class in Haid appears united with the military officers who overthrew President Jean-Bertrand Aristide in 1991. But that surface unity masks a deeper discomfort with the brutality of the coup leaders and the ex-Tonions Macoutes death squads with whom they are allied.

Recently, I spoke to a number of longtime acquaintances in the elite who have fled to Miami or who remain in Haiti. Without exception,

so for its known futility.

And Ulysses S. Duck

by Michael Wines:

derful day!

Regarding "Hi-Ho! And It's Off to the Civil War We Go!" (New, 13)

It's a shame the people of Vir-

ginia are going to allow the Orwell-

ian Disney machine to despoil

thousands of acres of beautiful and

historic countryside for a U.S. his-

tory theme park. I can just hear

George Washington now, as he ac-

cepts the surrender of General

Cornwallis: Zippity-doo-dah. zip-

pity-ay / My, oh my, what a won-

RONALD J. DE CAMBIO.

Amsterdam.

looting by lawless soldiers as they are of the anger of the poor. "Aris-tide is worth nothing," said the owner of an import-export business. "But this army is completely cor-

Haiti's Elite Have a Debt to Pay

rupt. What are we going to do?" The rich have lost money and continue to do so, unable to conduct business properly in a climate marked by eight-hour electricity blackouts and severe gas shortages. where employees are going hungry and cannot lind a ride to work. Major industrial players have temporarily transferred their Hattian holdings elsewhere, but local com-

panies have been forced to close. For the most part, the elite remain scathing in their opposition to Father Aristide. They tend to personalize his vision of an egal-tarian Haiti. "Why does he hate us because we're rich?" is a familiar litany. Those who privately support Father Aristide or the concept negotiation are now too intimidated to speak out.

Yet even the elite express shock at the recent assassination of the respected lawyer Guy Malary hy junta supporters in Iront of loreign diplomats and reporters, "Poor Guy - he wasn't even involved." a businesswoman remarked.

Although Mr. Malary was Father Aristide's justice nunister, he rates. It is repugnant - the more was also, as one factory owner put it, "one of us." Mr. Malary's mur-Meanwhile, a report on the same page says that the West Virginia der follows the slaying of another member of the upper classes state police serologist has manipu-Antoine Izmery, a wealthy busilated blood test evidence to obtain nessman and ardent Aristide supconvictions. The point is obvious: porter — hy paramilitary lorces. Both men were believed to be on a Judicial systems are fallible and thereby forfeit any right to inflict death, the irreversible punishment, death list as is Jean-Claude Bajeux, a mulatto human rights lead-There are no easy solutions to

now in hiding. violent crime. But there are solu-Although they are viewed as tions which do not bloody the soul TOM BOYLE ter Robert Malval, who, in the face of death threats, has decried the

lack of true statesmen in Haiti and challenged his peers to hack him. Today the "us versus them" siege mentality of the Haitian elite is comparable to that of Afrikaners in South Africa, a defensive and racist postcolonial state of mind that sees not only its livelthood but

hig fish in a little pond, and their and the decline of the homeland, sense of self derives from being on top. Father Aristide's claim to power is an affront. "That little French and Hantan descent and man has the audacity to tell us author of a forthcoming novel about what to do," goes another familiar refrain, "How dare he?"

its very identity threatened.

When the elite look into a future Washington Post.

see themselves disappearing. They have trouble envisioning an integrated Haits. Theirs is a depriva-

They project onto Father Aris-tide the collective sense of guilt they feel, knowing they have silently or willingly -- contributed to the bloodbath in Haiti. Father Aristide has tapped into an unconscious emotion, an ancient leeling of belonging yet being rejected, being Haitian by birth yet alienated privilege, education and skin

color from the masses.

In the postcolonial psychology of the elite, such questions surface but are pushed aside, to is easier certainly safer - to remain silent than to support ehildhood friends who have spoken out, been arrested or seek haven, than to risk one's

identity and sense of place. But is it? By siding with the thugs, the clite have contributed to their worst nightmare. The ehasm dividing rich and poor is assuming: racial overtones. It is Jueling, not, diminishing, the wrath of the poor. Because of the embargo, a thriving, black market has sprung up, con-trolled by the military, that undercuts legitimate husinesses.

The coup leaders have also made. quick lortunes in drug trafficking. inviting criminal elements to Haiti. Finally, the notorious goons of the Tontons Macoutes are back in power, a predominantly hlack group as unafraid of the elite as they are of anyone else.

It is in the lace of such a bleak Juture that Prime Minister Malval ha issued his challenge to the elite; Step forward. Become statesmen. Take a moral stand.

For the elite, this would mean overcoming the psychological vestiges of racism, couched in class terms. It would mean confronting! relatives and Iriends and demanding that they support - at least traitors to their class, they are ad- privately - leaders like Mr. Malmired for their bravery. The same holds for the mulatto Prime Minisatrisk, It would mean looking into. the nurror and seeing a reflection not of guns and walkie-talkies, embargoes and lynching, but of one's own courage, humanity and willingness to change.

Such steps are not easy, but they are within reach, as the steady dismaniling of apartheid in South Africa has proved. If they are not taken, the Haitian elite will continue in bear tacit responsibility for. Like the Boers. Haiti's elite are the murder of their countrymen

> The writer is a journalist of Ham, "Under The Bone." She contributed this comment to The

### **BOOKS**

WHO STOLE THE NEWS?: Why We Can't Keep Up With What Happens in the World and What We Can Do About It

By Mort Rosenblum, 300 pages. \$24.95. John Wiley.

Reviewed by Mark Hertsgaard

WHILE traveling around the world in 1991 to research a book, I met a youngish American couple in Italy. They were on their way back to the United States after an eight-month tour that had been an eye-opener. "Before this trip," the man said with a sheepish grin, I always half-thought the rest of the world was made of green cheese." Now he knew that beaches in Thailand were not that much different from beaches in California, and that grass in Turkey was

no less green than grass back home. The unfortunate truth is that, for many Americans, the rest of the world does not really exist. It's more an abstraction than a real place where real people catch the ous to work, read newspapers, raise children, live lives. Our consciousness can be pierced if outsiders start making trouble for us, but by the time we start paying attention, it's often too late; events have taken on their own momentum and there is little choice but to live with

Geography and history help ex-

By Alan Truscott-

THE deal shown in the diagram

probably the only time in the histo-ry of bridge that a player has suc-cessfully finessed a three on the

first trick. Many would pass as dealer with West's freak hand,

planning to energe from the bushes subsequently, but the favor-able vulnerability impelled him to act. A two-heart hid would have

been strong; not weak, so he ven-

If North made the obvious bid of five clubs he would have been high-

heart length, was in a position to double him and take two trump

disappointed to find that the ly disappointed to time well west player, having shown great

tured three hearts.

has one claim to fame: It is

a biography of Juan Carlos by Jose
Luis de Villalonga.

"We are so lucky that our country found his kin. They are a bless-

• José Ignacio López de Arrior-

(Steven Brull, IHT)



American news media system. Newspapers and television, in an effort to boost profits, are reporting less and less overseas news. As a result, Americans are less informed than ever about the global forces that increasingly shape their lives.

Self-interest, not to mention decency, dictates an about-face, Ro-semblum argues. Noting that "Japan did not awake one morning and torpedo the American auto industry. The Deutsche mark did not muscle aside the dollar overnight." be points out that "bad Americans seen what was coming, they could have headed it off. Or at least ducked in time." Better journalism might also have prevented the Gulf War and the slaughter in Bosnia. "Had news executives used a fraction of the resources they spent on the [Gulf] war to report on what was

BRIDGE

and had a fit in spades. When East

pared for a club lead.

in "Who Stole the News?" Mort about to cause it." writes the author. Rosenblum points the finger at another, more tangible culprit: the might have been averted." This isn't idle theorizing. Rosen-

blum, an Associated Press foreign correspondent since 1965, has been there, and his reports have the gritty texture of truth, complex and hardwon. When he visited Sarajevo in early 1992 and interviewed Radovan Karadzic, the "deranged psycholo-gist" who leads the Bosnian Serbs, it was obvious that real evil was brewing. Echoing the assertions of dissident State Department officials, Ro-senblum declares that "firm early action would have blunted the Serbs' advance." Western governmedia did not show up until August, when "it was too late to do more than catalog the carrage."

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ments were afraid to intervene, however, and the public outrage that might have emboldened them was absent, in part because most of the

This provoked South into a bold elub winners in the dummy to take leap to six spades, in the expecta- care of the red-suit losers in the tion that North was short in hearts NORTH

contributed a Lighter double to de-mand a lead of a club — the only suit not bid naturally - South re-doubled, since he was well pre-AAKQJ653 West dutifully led the club two. \$5 trying to give a suit-preference sig-nal to call for a diamond return. \$1008742 South knew exactly what was hap-4 KQ8784 pening and took the deepest finesse in history by covering with the three. East ruffed confidently, but fell off his chair when South over-

South was now a happy man. He tricks for a penalty of 500. But cashed dummy's two spade win-North confirmed hauself with a ners and ruffed a small club. Then four-club bad, which was not sim- he drew the last trump and claimed ply cautious but absent-minded. all 13 tricks, since there were five

to the BBC if you want to know what's going on in the world, advise blum. When he compared the BBC's "News Desk" with the CBS "Everaing News," it was "as if the two were reporting from different planets." Often CBS mentioned not a single foreign country. On a day when the siege of Sarajevo took serious turn, and Peruvian police captured the guerrilla chief who bad terrorized the country for a decade. CBS focused on a Maryland man who was shot trying to steal an FBI agent's car. Dan Rather later pleaded guilty to Rosenblum, but acted as f he were powerless to do better despite his title as the broadcast's managing editor.

Follow the money, they say. Me dia managers are convinced that Americans don't care about overseas news, so why pay for it? Ro-seabhum disputes this logic, but in my view does not dig deep enough. He especially fails to emphasize the crucial role that Reagan-era deregulation played in telling broadcaster. they could downgrade news (and anything else that didn't maximize profits) without risking their license renewals. Critics warned at the time that deregulation, combined with monopoly ownership trends, might enrich media moguls but impoverish the nation. But what did they know?

Rosenblum maintains that increasing overseas coverage can, in fact, make the moguls more money in the long run. Absent a resump tion of meaningful federal regula-tion, this may be the only viable strategy. Rosenblum is careful to stress, however, that consumers must first demand such coverage. From his short sunt as editor of the International Herald Tribune, he recalls that a mere four to six intelligent letters a week can sway the decisions of top media managers.
"Who Stole the News?" does a fine job of articulating America's interest in knowing more about the rest of the world. But it will take more than writing letters to put things

Mark Hertsgaard, author of "On Bended Knee: The Press and the Reagan Presidency," wrote this for The Washington Post.

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### HEALTH / SCIENCE

A New Light on **Ancient Writing** A new process for reading previously illegible texts uses two video cameras sensitive to different wavelengths of infrared light. Infrarad shows a sharper contrast between parchment

and ink than visible light, so the

characters can be discerned.

Silicon sensor is sensitive to infrarad wavelengths up to-1,000 nanometers.

> Indium antimonide sensor is sensitiva to infrared wavelengths from 1,000 to 5,000 nanometers.

The sensors are arranged in a grid callad a charge-coupled device: each light-sensitive element produces a point of light called a pixel

Each pixel builds up an electrical charge proportional to the amount of light falling

Photons striking the sensors

liberate elactrons.

Space-Age Keys for Archaeology

By John Noble Wilford

EW YORK -- Isaiah's hopeful prophecy that nations would beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks was an early expression of what today is called technology transfer. Now some Cold War technologies, transferred to scholarly pursuits, are being applied to the study of people of biblical times — and could become im-

portant tools in all archaeology. These tools are advanced infrared imaging systems enhanced by highly sensi-tive electronic cameras and computer image-processing technology. Many of these technologies were developed at the height of the Cold War, some for aerial and space reconnaissance, and have since been extended to civilian earth surveys and improved methods of observing the planets and stars.

In the most recent applications, these sensing technologies have revealed previously invisible writing on a tiny fragment of the Dead Sea Scrolls. The carbon-black inch had oot been distinguishable in visible light from the background of an ageblackened parchment.

Even conventional film-based infrared photography, useful io deciphering so many ancient manuscripts, bad failed to illuminate the single line of writing. Then, examining the fragment in longer wavelengths beyond the sensitivity of ordinary infrared film, Dr. Gregory Bearman, a physicist and remote-sensing specialist at Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, was able to use the

advanced technologies to distinguish the Hebrew letters. These spelled out the sen-tence, "He wrote the words of Noah." Dr. Bearman reported the results for the at a joint meeting of the American Academy of Religion and the Society of Biblical Literature in Washington. In interviews, he and colleagues described the techniques

and prospects for future research. "Archaeology is just beginning to learn about digital imaging technology, and it should prove to be a very powerful tool,"

Dr. Bearman said. Dr. James Sanders, a Dead Sea Scrolls scholar at the Ancient Biblical Manuscript Center in Claremont, California, said: "It's rather stunning. Everybody will be wanting to try this on other things."

Dr. Bruce Zuckerman, a scholar of Semitic languages at the University of Southern California School of Religion, who worked closely with Dr. Bearman in the experiment, said the techniques would soon be applied in the study of other fragments from the same manuscript, known as the Genesis Apocryphon.

This popular retelling of stories from the Book of Genesis, including the one about Noah and the flood, was one of the hundreds of manuscripts written on

scroils more than 2,000 years ago and discovered in the 1940s and 1950s in caves

oear the western shore of the Dead Sea. "Before, we were using infrared photography like a blunt instrument." Dr. Zuckerman said. "Now we can sharp-. shoot, be precise and push technology

beyond anything we've done before." For the next test, at the end of December, Dr. Zuckerman is planning to visit Amman, Jordan; to examine the obscured: writing on some manuscripts at the Cita-

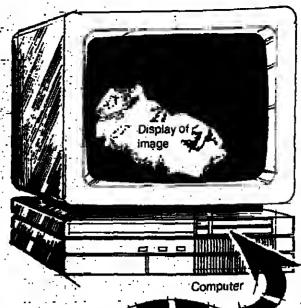
The most immediately promising applications, he said, would involve just about any "soft media" documents, those written on perishable materials particularly susceptible to deterioration with age. These materials are untreated animal skins, leather, vellum and papyrus.

Such analysis may also be valuable for determining the composition of ancient inks and writing surfaces, and even whether fragments belong to the same scroll.

Other objects for such examination

could be palimpsests, parchments with writing that has been crased to make room for new writing, and also the faded designs on ancient textiles.

Similar techniques, the researchers said, could also bring out the details of ink inscriptions on "hard media" like ancient clay tablets, stone and pottery shards. Although the surfaces are virtually imperishable, in nearly half of the spec-imens the writing is illegible.



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Multispectral imaging separates out diffarent parts of the target based on light raflectance signatures. These signatures are recorded in digital form, so they can be processed by computers to highlight even the most minute variations. Pixels make up the pictura

Sources: Gregory Bearman; Encyclopedia of Modern Technology (G, K. Half & Company)

#### IN BRIEF

#### **Health Outlook for Latinos**

LOS ANGELES (LAT) - Despite poverty. poor access to medical care and a tack of health insurance. Latinos are less likely than whites to die of most of the major chronic illnesses. including nearly all forms of cancer, heart discase and pulmonary disorders, a nationwide American study has fouod.

The study, cooducted by federal researchers and published in the Journal of the American Medical Association, gives a comprehensive picture of causes of death for Latinos. It found that with certain notable exceptions - including diabetes, liver disease and homicide - the overall health outlook for Latinos is significantly better than for whites. The reasons for the disparity, however, remain a mystery.

Many health experts theorize that Latino which frowns oo drioking and smoking and promotes strong family values — belps keep that population healthy io spite of socioeconomic disadvantages. But the researchers who conducted the study say cultural differences do not appear to explain their findings. "Il remains a paradox," said Paul Sorlie, an epidemiologist with the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute and the lead author of the A Sleep-Inducing Hormone

#### **Benefits of Quitting Smoking**

WASHINGTON (WP) - If a woman quits smoking today, her statistical health risk in 10 to 14 years will be the same as if she oever

smoked at all, a study of 117,000 nurses found. The health benefits of quitting the tobacco habit are "clearly present regardless of the age at starting and daily oumber of cigarettes smoked," the study reported. The risk of death from heart disease or stroke dropped 24 percent. withio two years of giving up cigarettes and then steadily declined to the level of lifelong nonsmokers within 10 to 14 years. The risk of death from cancer for smokers who quit also

approached that of those who never smoked. The findings are based on the Nurses' Health Study, which began in 1976, when 121,700 female nurses ages 30 to 55 completed questionnaires about their health histories and habits. Researchers followed up every two years

WASHINGTON (WP) - A man given minute quantities of the hormone melatonin by mouth during the day will fall asleep, even though he may have slept well the night before, researchers at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology have found.

Melatonin, a hormone naturally produced at night by the pineal gland deep inside the brain, has been known to make people sleepy when administered in large quantities — doses of as much as 240 milligrams. But it was oot clear it actually induced sleep.

But in the new study subjects were given 0.3 milligrams, roughly one-thousandth of the pre-vious dose, according to Richard J. Wurtman, chief researcher on the study and head of the MIT Clinical Research Center, where the study was conducted. The work, done with 20 male volunteers, also showed that blood levels of melatonin rose to approximately normal night levels of the hormone. Volunteers receiving the hormone fell asleep significantly faster than those who got a placebo, Melatonin also increased the duration of sleep.

### How to Get the Most Out of Anger

By Jane E. Brody

EW YORK - Three New Yorkers overheard venting their spleen: "Mi-chael, leave your brother alone. Now go to your room and stay there until you're ready to behave. And no movies for you

I screamed at a dog owner this morning after he let his dog mess on my sidewalk and didn't clean it up. I wish I could have rubbed his

"I came home last night tired and hungry after working all day and I found dirty dishes io the sink and chores undone. I was ready to kill

Anger is not an emotion that people pur-posely cultivate, but it is a central feature of Western civilization and a common occurrence in the lives of most people.

Anger would not be so prominent if it did oot serve some useful functions. But some people get angry at the drop of a hat, reacting with a fury out of proportion to the seriousness of the precipitating event. And too often, the way anger is expressed, or suppressed, is counter-productive. Instead-of bringing about oeeded changes, it may actually make matters worse.

Little Michael may stay in his room plotting revenge against his trate parent, who he thinks punished him unfairly.

Getting angry at lawbreaking dog owners rarely does anything to change their inconsiderate behavior. And the fury of the tired working mother may give her a headache or prompt her to down a pint of ice cream, but it is not likely to instill willing cooperation from her teenage sons. And those who fail to express their anger will

suffer the offending behavior over and over again until one day they explode in a fury that shocks and bewilders the target of the attack.

Recent studies have shown that comproductive ways of expressing anger typically grow out of a poor self-image and actually further under-

mine that image.

For example, Sheryl S. Russell, a doctoral student in oursing at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, found in a study of 535 womeo that those who dealt inappropriately with anger, either by suppressing it or by lashing out, were more likely to be overweight. Group sessions with such women showed that almost any emotion, and especially anger, prompted them to eat to calm their feelings. That, in turn, made them angry at themselves and increased their feelings of loneliness and despair.

Changing your behavior and self-perceptions to make anger productive, oot destructive, is both possible and desirable, according to Dr. Sandra P. Thomas, a psychiatric ourse who

directed the study of anger io women.

Dr. Thomas, who heads the Center for Nursing Research at the University of Tennessee,

All too often, the way anger is expressed is counterproductive.

said many people could significantly change their experience of anger on their own, without professional, help.

She suggested starting by taking an ioventory
of circumstances that touch off a person's anger

and how that anger is expressed. Keep a log of your anger experiences, recording with whom you become angry, to whom you express it, to whom you do not express it, how long it lasts, and what thoughts accompany it," she recommended. It may also help to oote whether the expression of anger produced the

desired result - and at what price. "You'll begin to see patterns," she said. Perhaps you always get angry with one child over one issue. Maybe one kid pushes your dinner. The task then is to see what you might

do differently." For example, one might look calmly at the contentious issue and decide it is not worth fighting about or that another approach might be more effective. Or, in the case of the disruptive child, the parent might involve the child in dinner preparations, since what the child probably wants most is attention.

al work - let's say, someone is always late bealth problems.

getting material to you, or a task is done sloppily, requiring you to do it over yourself — it is ally best to confront the offending co-worker directly, but in a nonhostile, instructive way. If the trigger of your anger is your boss, whom you cannot confront without placing your job in jeopardy, it may be necessary to defuse your anger, say, by taking a few minutes out of your work to meditate or practice deep breathing or by going for a jog or swim right after work.

Dr. Thomas's study showed that women who

used exercise to calm angry feelings were emotionally healthier than Ibose who turned to other outlets, like cigarettes, alcohol or food.

Among married people, spouses are the most frequent triggers of anger. But it is rare to deal with the incident directly, calmly and nonpejoratively so that the spouse might understand the reason for the anger and be motivated to change the offending behavior to avoid future The study of 535 women showed that most

people are more likely to talk to a friend about anger-provoking actions of a spouse than they are to confront the spouse directly.

Dr. Thomas said that many people who had difficulty dealing head-on with anger could benefit from joining a support group in which participants provide one aoother with insights and guidelines on how to approach a relative, friend or even a boss about anger-provoking acts or words.

Studies have shown that dealing effectively with someone who provokes anger is much more likely to strengthen than to weaken the relationship. It also enhances self-esteem in the person who had been angry.

It is also possible to learn to avoid reacting with anger to minor frustrations by standing back and asking oneself: "How important is this? Is it worth geiring angry about?" If you find that no matter what you do, certain people or places get to you, it may be best to avoid them.

It is also important to avoid brooding about anger-provoking incidents. This increases rather than defuses feelings of anger and can turn a molehill of contention into a mountain of con-flict, said Dr. Thomas, who found in the study that women who ruminated about anger were When the anger-provoking situation occurs . more likely to suffer physical and emotional

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### Anxiety and Blood Pressure Linked

EW YORK - There may be more truth than doctors have long believed to the notion of a relationship between tension (as in stress) and hypertension (as in high blood pressure). at least for middle-aged men.

A newly published study has found that over the course of decades, highly anxious men are twice as likely to develop high blood pressure as are men who take life more in

For 18 to 20 years, the researchers followed 497 meo and 626 women who had no evidence of hypertension when they enrolled in the study. All were participants in the Fra-mingham Heart Study, which has been fol-lowing initially healthy adults in Massachu-setts for more than 40 years to determine which factors most strongly influence a person's risk of developing heart disease.

While most lay people have long assumed older of the start of the study, a relationship that undue tension can cause bypertension, medical evidence for this relationship was slim, and most of the studies exploring it could not distinguish between stress: as. o cause or as a result of high blood pressure.

The study, published Wednesday io The Journal of the American Medical Association, indicates that while bypertension in women seems to have no relationship to psychological characteristics, in men 45 to 59, those who were chronically anxious or tense were much more likely to develop the condi-tion; which is a major risk factor for heart

lo the course of the long follow-up, nearly half the participants developed high blood pressure. Oddly enough, while no relation-ship between psychological factors and high blood pressure was found for men 60 and

was found io middle-aged men. Io the group of 330 men who entered the study at 45 to 59, a high level of tension or anxiety, as measured then, was second only to their initial blood pressure readings in predicting their susceptibility to this condition.

Furthermore, popular beliefs to the contrary, the researchers found no relationship between how men or women of any age dealt with anger and their later risk of developing high blood pressure.

The researchers, headed by Dr. Jerome H. Markovitz of the University of Alabama School of Medicine, suggested that anxiety measurements be a part of regular health checkups, especially for middle-aged men.

Jane E. Brody

## Jury Still Out on Early Mammogram

By Gina Kolata

EW YORK - The decision was eagerly awaited. A prestigious advisory board to the National Cancer Institute was going to vote on what to do about the mammography question. Should women under 50 have regular mammograms? The answer could help settle one of the most contentious disputes in medicine.

But the decision, reached Tuesday morning, was anticlimactic. The board carefully noted that there was great controversy and then rec-oramended that the cancer institute defer making any changes in its guidelines.

That would mean that the current guidelines.

recommending regular mammograms for wom-en under 50, would stand — but under a cloud of uncertainty. The executive committee of the cancer institute now has to take this and a previous conflicting recommendation into consideration and make a final judgment, which is expected in a few weeks

Maryann Napoli, associate director of the Center for Medical Consumers in New York, course of the decade. Nearly one out of five have not saved lives either.

said she was disappointed by the advisory board's decision. She had hoped the board would say that with no evidence that mammo-grams save lives of women in their 40s, they are not warranted until women turn 50. But, she added, women "want to believe"

that mammograms will help them. They are very frightened by breast cancer, she said, and there is nothing they can do to prevent it. The guideline question is more than just a matter of helping women decide what lo do. Insurance companies look to guidelines in de-

ciding what lests to pay for and malpractice lowyers often seize upon guidelines as a statement of the standard of care. Currently, guidelines differ from state to state, with the result that many insurance companies will pay for mammograms for women

under 50 if they live, for instance, in New York state, which recommends them, but out if they live in New Jersey, which does not. No one disputes the threat of breast cancer. The American Cancer Society estimates that it will be diagnosed in 2 million women in the

women receiving a diagnosis of hreast cancer is in her 40s. And no one disputes that mammography

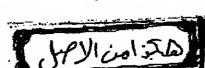
saves lives of women who are 50 and older. Large studies have repeatedly shown that if these older women have mammograms every one to two years, their risk of dying of breast cancer is reduced by a third. But it has been not been shown that mammograms save the lives of women in their 40s.

It can be difficult to ascertain the benefits of mammograms in younger women, because rela-tively few women in this age group get breast cancer, making it difficult to measure a benefit. from early detection.

And it is more difficult to examine the breasts of women who have ool reached menonause, because the tissue is denser, making it more likely that mammograms will miss some cancers entirely and that they will flag benign lumps, leading to unnecessary biopsies,

The problem has been that although oo one has proved that mammograms in younger women save lives, no one has proved that they 1990s, and that 460,000 will die from it over the





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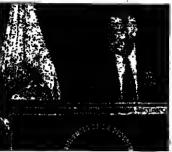
President Durán Ballén of Ecuador was elected last year with a mandate to bring the Ecuadoran economy into the 21st century. Ecuador had lagged behind Mexico. Argentina, Colombia and other Latin American countries in the race for export-led economic growth. The first step was to stabilize the economy. In August 1992, when the Durán Ballén administration was inaugurated. Ecuador had 50 percent amust inflation and virtu-

rated, Ecuador had 50 percent annual inflation and virtually no international monetary reserves.

in the first year of the administration, inflation was brought down to 35 percent. The economic plan calls for a further reduction to 20 percent in 1994.

To draft the stabilization policy, the 71-year-old president turned to his running mate, Alberto Dahik, a young economist of Lebanese ancestry who did graduate studies at Princeton under the Nobel prizewinner Sir Arthur

Stabilization was reached largely by ending deficit spending and aggressive control of Central Bank lending to soak up excess liq-



President Durán Ballén: first step, a stabilized currency.

crease in interest rates for financial investment and stability of the exchange rate have brought back funds that Ecuadoran residents had been sending abroad. Capital flight has now been reversed.

The resulting in-

A short-term effect of these stabilization policies has been little or no economic growth, a situation the authorities are re-

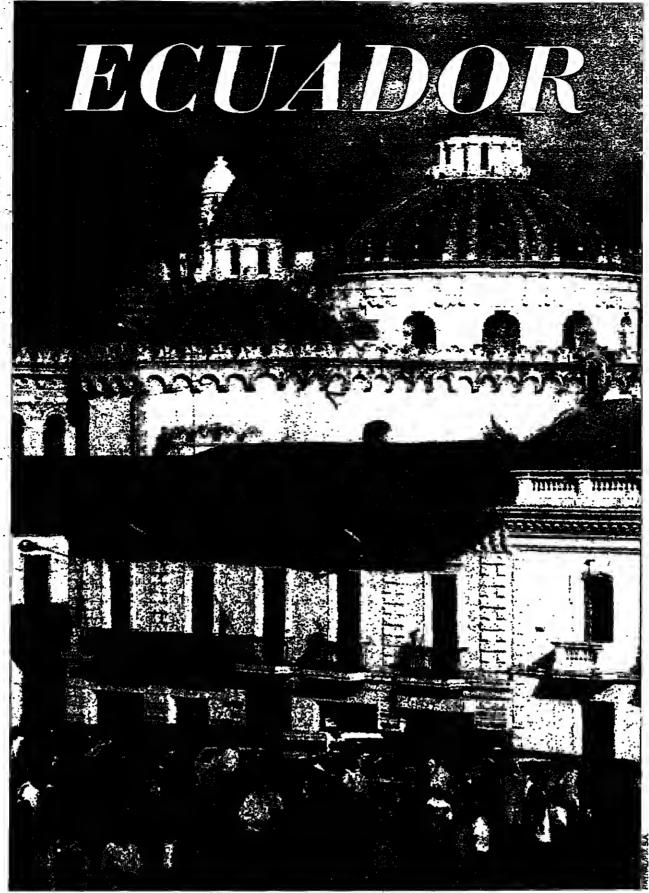
fuctant to call recession. In the second year of the administration, the economic authorities are aiming for recovery, with a growth rate of 3 percent. Growth with inflation control is difficult, but the au-

thorities are relying on divestiture and privatization to lure into corporate stock some financial investment that is now in certificates of deposit. Also, the government hopes that direct foreign investment, currently modest except in oil exploration, will pick up, given the opportunities being

To be successful, the reduction of the size of the state must go hand-in-hand with the rescheduling of debt with foreign commercial banks, along the lines suggested by former U.S. Secretary of Commerce Nicholas Brady. The Ecuadoran authorities are engaged in ongoing discussions with the commercial banks.

The goal of the government is to agree on a "Brady plan" before next Angust. Negotiations are tough as the positions of the parties involved are still far apart. Ecuador has one of the largest foreign debts in Latin America in relation to the size of the economy. At the end of 1992, the foreign debt was \$12.4 billion, almost as big as the gross domestic product, which was \$12.7 billion. Ecuador wants creditor banks to accept a substantial reduction in the debt

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### **NEW RULES OPEN** DOORS WIDER To Investors

Following the Durán Ballén administration's sweeping liberalization measures, Ecuador now boasts one of the most liberal investment regimes in Latin America.

Today, nearly all sectors of Ecuador's economy are open to foreign investment without prior approval. To-gether with an equalized income tax rate for foreign and national companies (except for oil companies).

Authorization is almost automatic

as well as one of the lowest labor costs in Latin America, Ecuador has all the potential to be the new emerging market in the region.

Previous restrictions on foreign ownership to 49 percent in hanking and financial institutions have been eliminated. Legally. the only areas that are still closed to foreign investment are defense and domestic air transportation. In practice, however, some restrictions remain.

Foreign investment in the fishing industry is limited to 49 percent of equity. Exceptions may be approved by the National Fishery Development Council.

Branches of foreign companies may not operate radio and television stations, but foreign-owned. locally incorporated companies are free to do so. Foreign investors may

not operate in the vicinity of Ecuador's international borders without approval from the Armed Forces and the president of the Repub-

According to Article 46 of the Ecuadoran Constitution, "strategic sectors," as defined by specific laws, are reserved for public enterprises. Currently, these

sectors include the defense, electricity, petroleum and telecommunications industries. Yet, in each of these sectors, except defense, the state can grant concessions and operating contracts to the private sector.

Except for investments in the fishing and mining industries, no prior or retroactive approval for direct foreign investment (to include transfers of technology and stipulations of royalty paymen(s) is required.

Foreign investments need only to be registered with the Central Bank for the purpose of tracking balance-of-payment flows.

Following the reform of the Company Law in May 1993, corporate capitalization no longer requires a lengthy authorization procedure. Now only an initial authorization is needed to establish the upper limit of the corporation's legal capital: it may capitalize freely up to that level. No distinction is made between foreign and national capital in the formation of a compa-

There are no limitations on foreign acquisitions or takeovers of domestic companies, except in those areas in which foreign equity is restricted. The Ministry of Industries will automatically approve all applications for trunsfer of shares and is in effect only registering such transactions.

In 1993, investment has already equaled \$31.4 million 1\$6.8 million for 1992), of which 95.7 percent went toward the increase of capital. The major areas receiving foreign investment continue to be, in order of importance: industry (78.4 percent), services (7.2 percent), general commerce (4.5 percent) and agriculture (4.05 percent).

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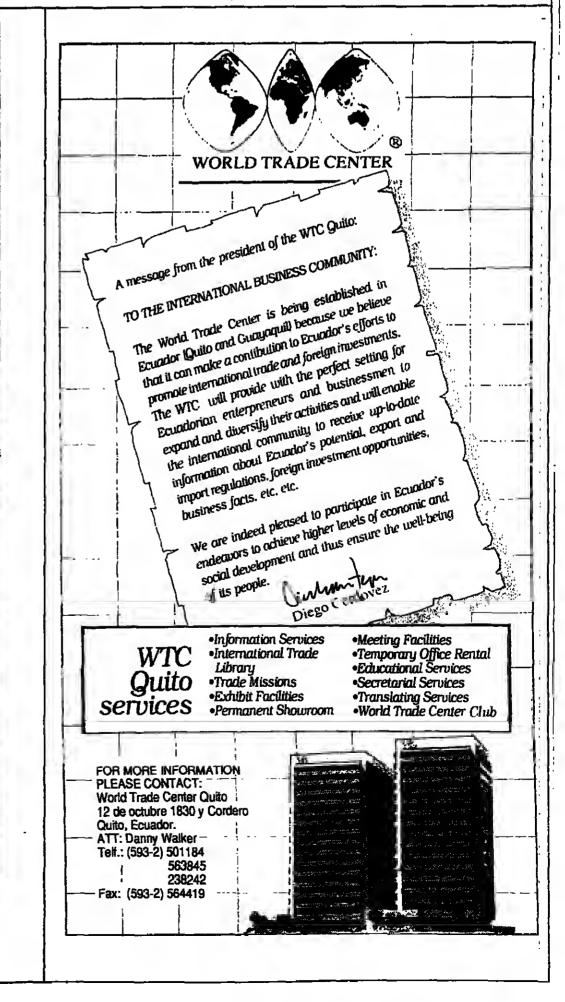
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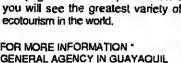
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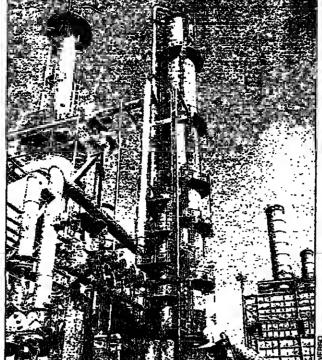
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In six bidding rounds, 13

Ecuador and three Southeast

Asian countries are the world's

largest exporters of shrimp. Last

vear, Ecuadoran sales were up

5.1 percent over the record year

of 1991, with sales worth \$517

Volume also keeps increasing sharply: it is up 9.4 percent, to the

equivalent of 75,000 metric tons of

Petroleum represents 45 contracts were concluded, of which six have emered into production and development. Total investment was \$500 million, and reserves of crude oil increased by 650 million

Petroechador, the state oil company, will initiate a seventh hidding round for contracts next January.

The ambidous goal is to find an additional billion barrels of crude. Twelve

blocks will be out for bids. The energy authorities

### BANANA EXPORTS THREATENED BY EC REGULATIONS

Ecuador supplies 25 percent of the world banana market, more than any other country. Last year, it exported a total of 2.5 million metric tons of bananas. Its two major markets are the United States and Ger-

Under new regulations on banana imports, the European Community allows imports of only 1 million metric tons of bananas from non-protected markets every six months. This represents a 20 percent cut in the imports of bananas other than those originating in the EC and the African.
Caribbean and Pacific countries covered by the Lome Convention. Germany, the Netherlands and Belgium disagree with this policy.

As a result, in the first half of next year, Ecuador will

have to substantially reduce its sales to the EC. It has joined other Latin American countries in alleging that the EC regulation on banana imports are a violation of the

### COFFEE REVENUES FALL

The low international price for coffee has discouraged producers worldwide. In 1992, revenues from Ecuadoran coffee exports fell for the sixth consecutive year, this time by 29 percent, to a mere \$78 million. Exports have shrunk to a quarter of what they were in 1986.

Germany is the largest Enropean market for Ecuadoran coffee, followed by Italy and Spain. Efforts are being made to increase sales in the former East- bloc countries.

Anecafé, the association of Ecuadoran coffee producers, estimates that in 1993-1994, Ecuador will produce 2.4 million hundred weight. Exports will probably amount to 1.5 million 60-kilogram bags. down 6 percent from sales in 1990.

Ecuador has joined the new Coffee Producers' Association, whose aim is to stabilize prices. Coffee prices have already hit bottom, in the view of Pablo: Delgado, director of Anecafé. W.R.S.

are requesting Congress to modify the Oil Law so as to introduce regulations that would be more attractive to potential bidders than the present ones.

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the Organization of Petroleum Exportiog Countries, hecause the expense and time devoted to the organization were not offset by any tangible bene-

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all of Latin America. Two Ecuadoran financial institutions recently carried out successful placements

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of fixed-term securities in international financial markets: Filanbanco issued \$5 million in six-month certificates of deposit through an agreement with ABN-Amro Bank; and Finagro issued \$8 million, with Hamilton Bank (Miami) as issuing agent and live other underwriting hanks. The certificates mature in 1995.

Pacifico, Filanbanco and Banco del Pichincha are the three largest hanks in Ecuador, and altogether there are 28 commercial hanks in the country, of ind Citibank. The banks have assets (plus contingent assets) of \$4.4 billion, total deposits of \$1.9 hillion and portfolio operations worth \$1.4 hillion:

The presence of Ecuadoran banks in Europe is modest. Banco del Pacifico has a representative office in London, and Banco de-Préstamos has just opened one in Moscow.

The government is thoroughly overhauling economic legislation so as to modernize the financial system.

Interest rates are no longer set by the monetary authorities. The market is allowed to set rates, and through open market operations, the Central Bank ensures that rates do not fluctuate unduly.

Deposits and loans can now be expressed in units of constant value, which are indexed to inflation. This makes feasible longterm financial investment and indebtedness in an enabout inflation.

A new draft Law of Financial Entities that will allow banks to make a more efficient use of their assets is about to be sent to Congress.

debt crisis that affected In mid-year, a new Securities Market Law was approved that allows commercial banks to engage in mvestment through the establishment of brokerage houses.

Banks are currently awash in funds as economic stabilization policies. coupled with low yields in the Eurodollar market; have persuaded Ecnadorans to briog home funds they had held abroad.

Changes in legi lation, the opening up of the economy and the renewed access to foreign funds add up to an enormous challenge to Ecuadoran hanks. Their equities are proving to be too small for their cnhanced role. Banks are expected to enter a process of consolidation into fewer but larger units, and to increase their capital stock which three are branch of through the attraction of fices of international new investors, both domesbanks: ABN-Amro. Lloyds tic and foreign. All constraints on foreign tayest... ment in the capital stock of banks have been lifted.

Investment opportunities are cropping up elsewhere in the economy. The gov-ernment is selling its shares in some large public companies and is expected to open the telecommunications and energy sectors to private investment.

Divestiture started with the sale of the stake held by state institutions in the largest cement plant, La Cemento Nacional, in which the Swiss company Holderbank has controlling stock. LCN shares have been placed piecemeal on the security exchanges in order to maximize the number of investors. Divestiture in LCN is to be followed by that in the three other cement producers, hut in these cases, the aim is likely to be to find a dominant investor for each.

A fertilizer plant and a sugar mill are also in the divestiture schedule. More complex will be privatization in the sectors the Ecuadoran Constitution considers strategic, as legal reforms will be necessary. These include fuels, electric power generation and telephone service.

If a "Brady agreement" on foreign debt is concluded with creditor banks, debt equity swaps in the acquisition of public sector assets is a distinct possibility. "Our aim is to reach this year a definitive agreement with our international creditors that will stimulate debt/equity swaps," says Vice President Alberto Dahik. He adds: "We consider privatization with foreign capital to be absolutely healthy."

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Selling to Europe has posed spe-

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ntillion.

as part of rescheduling. Mr. Dahik says: "Today, Ecuador certainly has large international monetary reserves and exchange-rate stability due to trust and fiscal discipline, but this does not wipe out the fact that it has a weighty debt vis-à-vis GDP and exports. Therefore, we have proposed a market solution; that is, that the price of the debt be determined by supply and de-

Economic authorities other than the Central Bank

would like public investment, now restrained as part of anti-inflationary policy, to play a larger role. Fi-nance Minister César Rohalino promises that for 1994, "without disavowing the policy of control of aggregate demand." Ecuador will add an element of sup-

ply-side economics. The administration has continued the trade policy of its predecessor; tariff reduction, dismantling of non-tariff barriers to trade and increased regional integration. Ecuador has applied for membership in GATT and has established

a free-trade area with Colombia and Venezuela. its neighbors to the north. Next year, the three countries are to adopt a common external tariff and form a common market.

The Andean Pact has forced Ecuadoran businesses to redefine themselves in the context of a larger re-

gional market. This means enhanced competition from relatively more developed Colombian and Venezuelan businesses, as well as a potentially bigger market. Ecuador has a population of only 11 million, with a per

capita income of \$1,178. Trade with the Andean countries will undoubtedly grow. But in the 1990s, it represents only 7.5 percent of total Ecuadoran imports and exports. The dominant trade relationship is that with the United States, with 41 percent of total trade. An Ecuador trade center has been opened in Miami, aimed at increasing Ecuadoran exports to the Unit-

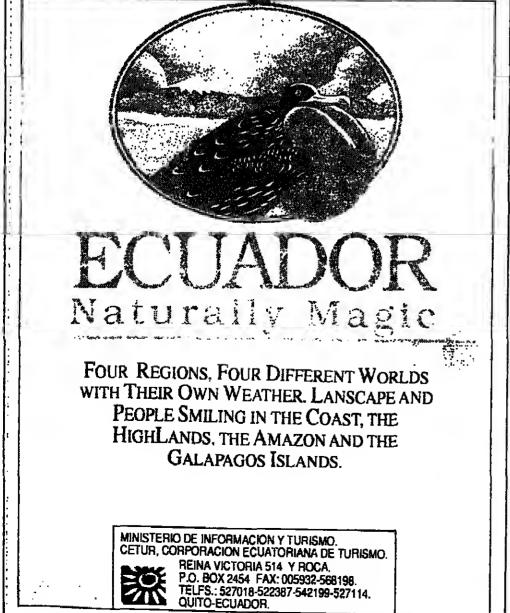
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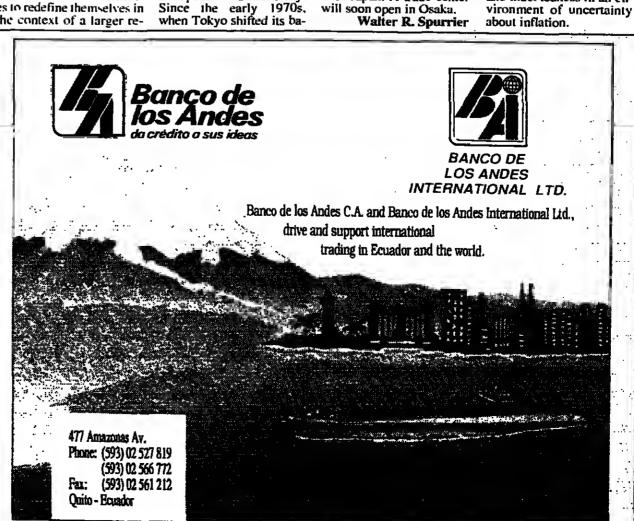
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ducers. Ecuador has failed to make inroads into the Japanese market. Ecuador hopes that sooner rather than later, it will become part of a free-trade area that includes the United States. Quito and Washington recently signed an agreement to protect and encourage U.S. investments in Ecua-

dor. Trade with the European Community represents 17 percent of total Ecuadoran trade. Major exports to the EC are bananas to Germany and the Benelux countries, and shrimp to France and Spain. Ecuador has just opened a trade center in Hamburg to promote exports to Europe.

Trade with Japan is 5.6 percent of the total, mostly in imports. Ecuador has a substantial trade deficit with Japan. A trade center will soon open in Osaka,





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From the Amazonian Quito's hospitality industry them to their destination. angle across the snow offers a good selection both With an increasing perjungle across the snowcapped peaks of the Andes down to the beaches along the Pacific coast, Ecuador offers about as much diversity to its visitors as can be packed into this country of 11 million

inhabitants. Often considered the Switzerland of Sonth America, Ecuador enjoys political stability, and Quito ranks as one of the safest

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Only 22 kilometers north of Quito lies Mitad del Mundo (Middle of the World), where a massive stone monument marks the equatorial line and a newly renovated museum displays the folkloric dress and traditions of the numerous nationalities inhabiting Ecuador.

Farther north, toward the The biggest tourist attrac- Colombian border, is the tion in Ecuador has been, town of Otavalo, which

Hardly a tourist leaves the

country without being clad

in colored felt hats, hand-

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Ecuador's greatest tourist

attractions is the Oriente, its

Amazon forest region. The

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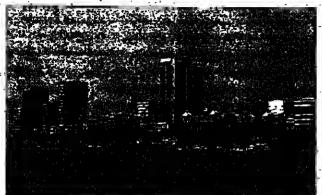
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and continues to be, the boasts one of the most pop-Galapagos Archipelago. ular Indian markets in the Close to 50.000 visitors a Western hemisphere. ear come on luxury liners, like the Guayaquil-based Conodros, to see exotic. iguanas, the famous giant tortoises or tree-sized sunflowers. Only there can a tourist swim alongside playful penguins and sea lions, and come within inches of rare bird species without scaring them off. But the Ecuadoran authorities are aware of the danger of the islands' delicate ecosystem being overtaxed by visitors, and tourism operators are being encouraged to exploit the enormous potential that main-

land Ecuador offers. At an attitude of nearly 3,000 meters, Quito, the now have their own "jungle capital, boasts an impressive historical district with architecturally notable macaw, the howler monchurches surrounded by a... sea of tiled roof-tops covering balconied colonial buildings. With a capacity of 1,200 beds for visitors . Lago Agrio or Coca. From and countless restaurants.

country's largest tour operator and travel agency. offers visitors a breath-taking train ride through the vast banana plantations and ranch lands of the coastal plain up a hair-raising railway switchback called the Devil's Nose into the Andean highland. Besides the fascinating views to be enjoyed on the trip, visitors marvel at what still today is considered one of the world's great accomplishments in railway engineer-

> Ecuador has enormous potential for tourism, but much remains to be done to develop the sector into the leading industry that President Durán Ballén would like it to be. Only 430,000 visitors came to Ecuador in 1992 (225,000 for the first semester of 1993), of which 40 percent came from Colombia, 18 percent from the United States, 17 percent from Europe and the rest from

The infrastructure needs to be improved to make some tourist sites more accessible and provide them with better facilities. The private sector continues to seek financial assistance for this from the government, financial institutions and foreign investors. Industry analysts are seeking more sophisticated statistics on all aspects of tourism for planning pur-

Visitors are usually flown Some projects to develop the tourist industry are well to the frontier towns of under way, however. A there, buses and canoes take series of hixury hotels will

be built throughout the country in the coming years. In Guayaquil, a fivestar hotel and convention center is to be constructed by Hotel Colon International, which also operates the largest hotel in Quito. The new hotel will have a capacity of 300 beds, while the convention center will be able to accommodate 2,000 visitors, making it the

largest in the country. Guayaquil, besides being the largest city and the economic center of Ecuador, is the gateway to Ecuador's foremost beaches, Salinas and Nahia de Caracas, both of which offer a full range of water sports and other recreational facilities.

Plans for another luxury hotel in Quito have been put forward in a joint pro-

ciation that promotes and seeks investors. The \$10 million plan seeks to develop ecotourism in six selectcountry. Ecolourism, of Feprotur, is a reasonable strategy because of the nat-

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Far its size, Ecuador is one of the most biologically diverse and interesting countries in the world. Its natural resonrces are among the most beautiful and the most threatened auywhere. Not ane but three nature reserves in Ecnador have been declared world natural

heritage areas by Unesco. One of them is the worldfamous Galapagos Islands, where 500-pound tortoises trudge through the hills and the waved albatross performs its spectacular and perfectly choreographed courtship dance. This is where more than 150 years ago Charles Darwin made observations that were to form the basis of his theory of evolution.

Yasuni National Park, which lies in the heart of the Ecuadoran Amazon rain forest, was set aside to protect what British ecologist Norman Myers calls surely the richest biotic zone on Earth," which, he says, "deserves to rank as a kind of epicenter of biodi-Scientists believe that the Oriente is one of the few regions of the Amazon basin where primordial forest remained

relatively intact during the boldt called the two protector of the species that remain there today.

The dense jungle, with hundreds of exotic birds,

ice ages, acting as a type of cordilleras that separate the

country's coastal lowlands from the Amazon hasin. Barely 150 kilometers wide in some places, the Ecuado-



In the unspoilt highlands of the Anticara, a chagra (cowbov) goes to work

rainbow-colored butterflies. piranha, freshwater dolphins and caimans, makes scenes from Steven Spielberg's film "Jurassic Park" come alive.

Sangay National Park incorporates three snowcapped volcanoes in a radius of only 30 kilometers along the "Avenue of Volcanoes," as German naturalist Alexander von Humran Andes climb to an alti-

tude of 6.310 meters at

Mount Chimhorazo.

It is in the barren paramo (highlands) that the endangered Andean condor. Ecuador's national emblem, nests alongside the Oreotrochilus estella. a species of colibri - one of 137 in Ecuador – which on cold nights is able to lower

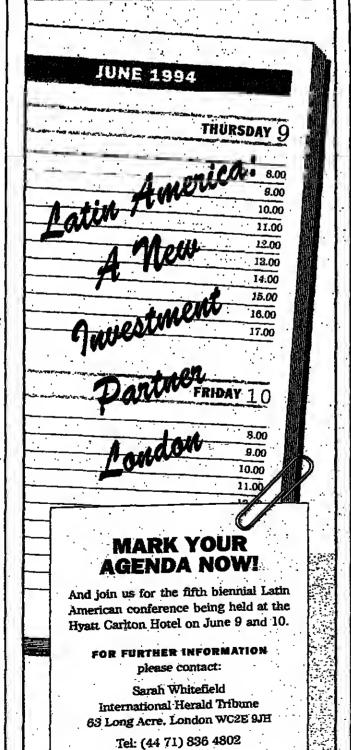
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ർമ്പള. Sangre de Drago (Dragon's Blood), a latex of the croton tree, of which there are 700 species in Ecuador. has aroused the interest of pharmaceutical companies worldwide for its cicatrizing ability, especially in ulcers. Afready, a croton plantation has sprung up near the town of Tena in the Oriente to produce the substance commercially.

Finally, the jathropa plant, found in Machalilla National Park along the Paciffe coast, is being tested for insecticidal characteristics and is soon to enter the commercial phase. This product may provide a long-sought-after chemical insecticide for agricultural use.

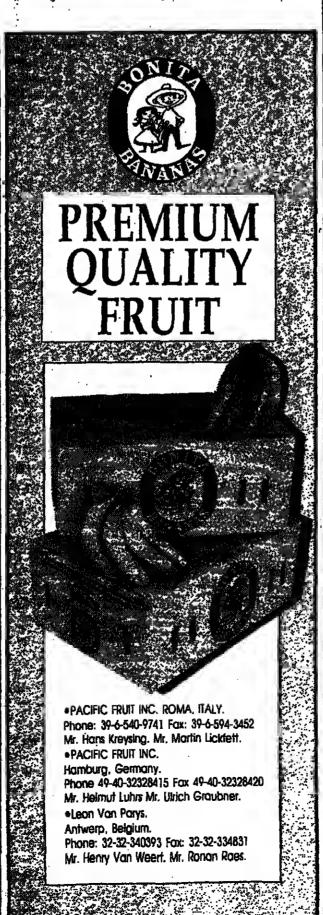
In essence, the medicinal and economic value of the country's flora is infinite. "Conserving biodiversity means preserving a genetic heritage for the future with enormous potential uses. says Xavier Silva, director of Ecuador's Conservation Data Center.

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### Philip Morris to Trim 14,000 Jobs **\$952 Million Drive Aims to Boost Competitiveness**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — Philip Morris Cos. an-nounced plans Wednesday to cut 14,000 jobs and close or reduce operations at 40 factories and other sites over the next three years. The food and tobacco company said the worldwide restructuring and cost-cutting plan, which will result in a \$952 million aftertax charge against earnings, was designed to make Philip Morris brands more competitive.

The number of layoffs to be included among the employment-reduction measures has not been determined, Craig L. Fuller, a senior vice president at Philip Morris, said. He said that while some positions will be cut the plan also envisions work-force reductions through attrition and early retirements.

Mr. Fuller did not say where the reductions. which amount to 8 percent of the company's total work force of 168,000, or the plant closings would occur. He said the cuts would be distributed throughout the company and would not be "targeted just at tobacco," Mr. Fuller refused to provide details about

when the job cuts would begin or when plant closings might be amounced.
Philip Morris has been trying to hold down costs since it launched a price war on cigarettes this year that has helped it regain market share but has hurt earnings. The company's stock was up 75 cents, at \$55.63 a

York Stock Exchange. The cuts also reflect the pressure on consumer-product companies, as consumers have turned to generic and store-label brands to save money. In July, Procter & Gamble Co.

VEVEY, Switzerland - Nestlé SA said

Wednesday it would overcome the recession in

Europe to post higher sales and profits this year than in 1992, with a boost from its bever-

age operations and non-European revenue. The company predicted further gains in 1994.

estimate, Hehmut Mancher, Nestle's chief ex-ecutive, said, "I expect an increase which will

enable us to maintain the profitability level of

last year - that's about 5 percent of sales."

Mr. Maucher forecast 1993 sales would be

up 5 percent from the 54.5 billion francs

earned in 1992. That implies sales of 57.22

billion francs this year and profit of 2.86 billion francs. In 1992, Nestle earned 2.70

For the first 10 months of 1993, sales were

Although he did not provide an exact 1993

share, in late trading Wednesday on the New

said it would cut 13,000 jobs and close 30 plants over the next four years. In another cost-cutting move by a major corporation, NCR Corp. said Wednesday in Dayton, Ohio, that it was widening an incentive package by offering it to nearly all its American employees to try to trim its staff. The information-services, electronics and office-automation coocern, a subsidiary of

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American Telephone & Telegraph Co., said about 25,000 of its 27,000 employees in the United States would be eligible for financial incentives to leave the company by February.

NCR said it aimed to trim its worldwide work force of 50,000 by as much as 15 percent. The company made an early-retirement offer last month to 5,500 employees. Philip Morris's primary divisions include

its Philip Morris tobacco operations, Kraft General Foods and Miller Brewing Co. The company said it would take a charge of \$457 million after taxes against fourth-quarter earnings to pay for closings and consoli-

dations of factories and a charge of \$495

billion), belped by a 14 percent jump in

coffee, mineral water and other beverages.

Mr. Maucher said the rise in sales was

largely due to acquisitions, while internal

growth slowed from last year. "This was a difficult period, with the recession in Europe

having a negative effect on volume sales, espe-cially in France and Italy," Mr. Maucher said.

The German market stabilized in the period,

European sales have fallen I percent so far

this year, to 21.8 billion francs. Sales in the

Americas, however, were up 10 percent, to

16.9 hillion francs, while revenue from Asia,

the Pacific and Africa rose 14 percent, to 7.9

billion francs. Mr. Maucher said Nestlé saw

growth opportunities in Asia. "Five of the six

new factories we're opening this year are in

which he said was "surprising."

Asia," the Nestlé executive said

million that would be primarily for severance Philip Morris said the charges would re-

duce its net earnings this year by \$1.08 a share. Without the charges, Philip Morris estimated, 1993 earnings would have been down about 16 percent from last year's \$5.45

Mr. Fuller said that despite the company's

problems in the shrinking cigarette market in the United States, its other operating units were profitable and had good prospects for 1994. He said income from businesses excluding tobacco in the United States was expected to increase 13 percent this year. Philip Morris said the restructuring would

begin to show up in the form of reduced operating costs in 1994. By 1997, it is expected to generate after-tax annual savings of about \$600 million, the company said. Philip Morris started the tobacco price war

in April when it announced promotional discounts that effectively cut the price of its leading cigarette brand, Marlboro, by 40 cents a pack. The company said it wanted to preserve Mariboro's market share.

During the summer, Philip Morris broadened the program and applied it to its other premium brands, Benson & Hedges, Merit and Virginia Slims. The rest of the industry eventually followed its lead.

The strategy appears to have paid off, as the company recently estimated its share of shipments in the American cigarette market had risen 1.6 percentage points from a year earlier, to 43.1 percent.

### Nestlé Moves Ahead Despite European Recession Sales by product in the January-October

period broke down this way: Beverages rose 14 percent, to 11.9 billion francs, boosted by the acquisition of Source Perrier SA; milk and dietetic products were up 7 percent, at 13.1 billion francs; prepared foods and cooking aids fell 1 percent, to 13.0 billion; chocolate and candy fell 1 percent, to 6.9 billion francs; and pharmaceuticals were down 14 percent, to 11.7 billion. Nestle said overall product prices increased

2.4 percent in the period.

Mr. Mancher and other Nestle executives said the company might tap long-term bond markets, possibly with a convertible issue, to take advantage of low interest rates. The exec-utives also said Nestle would like to list its stock in the United States because American investors are its second-largest national bloc, but that U.S. disclosure rules would be hard to comply with. (Reuters, Bloomberg, AFX)

### **Court Supports QVC** in Fight For Paramount

WILMINGTON, Delaware -A Delaware court stripped Paramount Communications Inc. of a key antitakeover defense Wednesday, strengthening QVC Network Itc.'s bostile bid for the moviemaker and publisher.

Paramount is trying to proceed with a friendly merger with Viacom Inc. Both those companies said they would appeal the Delaware Chancery Court decision to the state's Supreme Court.

The court vice chancellor, Jack Jacobs, granted QVC's request for an injunction barring Paramount from using its "poison pill" to de-feat QVC. This defense, held in reserve by many big companies. would flood the market with new shares and make it prohihiuvely expensive for OVC or another unwanted suitor to buy Paramount.

Mr. Jacobs ruled that Paramount's poison pill defense caused possible irreparable harm to QVC in its bidding war with Viacom. Many large U.S. companies are domiciled in Delaware, in part be-

cause its law makes broad allowances for corporate antitakeover QVC sought the injunction after being frustrated by the Paramount

board's rejection of the cable channel's cash-and-stock offer, which is valued at more than \$1 billion over Viacom's friendly bid. Mr. Jacobs also ruled against Paramount's grant of stock options to Viacom. He said the options were

improperly designed at least in part to deter hostile bids. The options would add about \$480 million to QVC's cost of acquiring Paramount. The judge did, however, support a \$100 million fee for Viacom should its merger deal with Paramount collapse, meaning QVC would have to pay the premium if it

wins the bidding war. Paramount's board has rejected OVC's latest unsolicited offer in a two-month war even though the stock market has valued it above Viacom's friendly bid.

Viacom's offer to pay \$85 a share in cash for 51 percent of Para-mount's stock was scheduled to ex-

pire at midnight, but the injunction blocks its expiration. QVC's bid of \$90 a share in cash for 51 percent of Paramount is not set to expire until midnight Dec. 1.

Paramount's stock rose \$3.75 after the ruling, closing at \$80 a share. Viacom on Tuesday said it re-ceived 12.3 million Paramount shares in its tender offer, while QVC said it received 209,829 shares. Paramount has about 118.2 million shares outstanding.

### Euro Disney Falls 19% to

Record Low Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches PARIS - The stock of Euro Disney SCA fell 19 percent to an all-time low Wednesday amid fears

over the outcome of the theme park's financial restructuring plan. Euro Disney's creditors got ugether last week to begin a debate on bow to restructure the theme park's 21 billion French francs (\$3.54 billion) of debt. Euro Disney's shares were suspended from trading three times as

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they hit a series of fluctuation limits. The stock ended the session at a record low of 27.20 francs, down 6.20 francs from Tuesday, on very heavy volume of 4.14 million shares. The stock had lost 4,1 percent Monday and 5.1 percent Tuesday The shares have now fallen 83 percent from their peak value of 164,30 francs, reached in March 1992, a month before the opening of the Euro Disney park 32 kilome-

ters (20 miles) east of Paris. Euro Disney declined to comment on the move. It started after press reports Monday that Walt Disney Co., the American entertainment company that owns 49 percent of the French park, may pull out it bankers refuse to restructure the (Reuters, Blownberg)

### INTERNATIONAL MANAGER

### Asia Is Big Business for Hewlett

By Paul Blustein

Washington Past Service
SINGAPORE — When Hewlett-Packard
Co. started operating here in 1970, it paid 62Singaporeans each about \$1,400 a year to sit at long benches stringing tiny magnetic rings on strands of wire for use in computers. The venture reflected how most U.S. com-

panies viewed Asia in those days — mainly as a region with a large supply of cheap, diffecut labor but little potential for anything else. Today, Hewicit-Packard's presence in this area is far bigger, employs legions of professionals, is growing fast and is largely driven

by Asia's emergence as a major market. Hewlett-Packard, a maker of computers printers and other electronic equipment based in Palo Alto, California, maintains a work force of 13,000 in 17 countries through out Asia and had sales of \$2 billion in the region last year. That figure represented about one-eighth of the corporate total last year, and the Asia share of overall sales will

decade, company executives predicted. As Hewlett-Packard's record shows, the region's dynamism offers more benefits to European and American economies than just good-quality products at reasonable prices. Despite their barriers, Asia's burgeoning economies represent a giant opportunity for foreign industry, especially the most ad-

swell to more than one-fifth by the end of the

The United States exports more to the Asia-Pacific region than to Western Europe, Canada or Mexico. Those trans-Pacific exports support an estimated 2.5 million U.S. jobs. Yet nearly half of U.S. overseas investment lies in Europe, and only 11 percent in Asia.

Certainly, obstacles to trade and invest-ment designed to protect local industry make many Asian markets difficult for foreign

companies to crack.

Hewlett-Packard has encountered its share of burdles. In Indonesia, for instance, the company is hamstrung by rules prohibiting

The company's sales in Asia, outside of recessionbound Japan, have soared over the past five years at an annual rate of 25 to 30 percent.

foreign companies from bolding majority stakes in local operations if they are engaged in producing for the domestic market.

still, Hewlett-Packard's commitment to Asia is unflagging because the market has become too big and vital to ignore.

"A company like ours bas to be selling and competing out here," said Lee Ting, the Hong Kong-based chief of Hewlett-Packard's Asia-Pacific operations. "If you're not investing in the competition," borne, market, these of the competitions. the competition's bome market, they'll be able to build economies of scale that enable them to become much tougher compeniors worldwide."

Japanese competition has already left one U.S. industry—automobiles—so far behind in Asia that the Big Three are probably doomed to play bit parts in the region for

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But in most other industries, such leadingedge U.S. companies as Hewlett-Packard have long held strong footbolds in Asia. Prominent examples include Motorola Inc., Texas Instruments Inc. and International Business Machines Corp.

Although Japan overtook the United States as the area's top foreign investor dur-ing the late 1980s, the wave of Japanese investment has benefited U.S. companies in Asia by fueling an economic boom.

In Hewlett-Packard's case, sales in Asia, outside of recession-bound Japan, bave soared over the past five years at an annual rate of 25 percent to 30 percent.

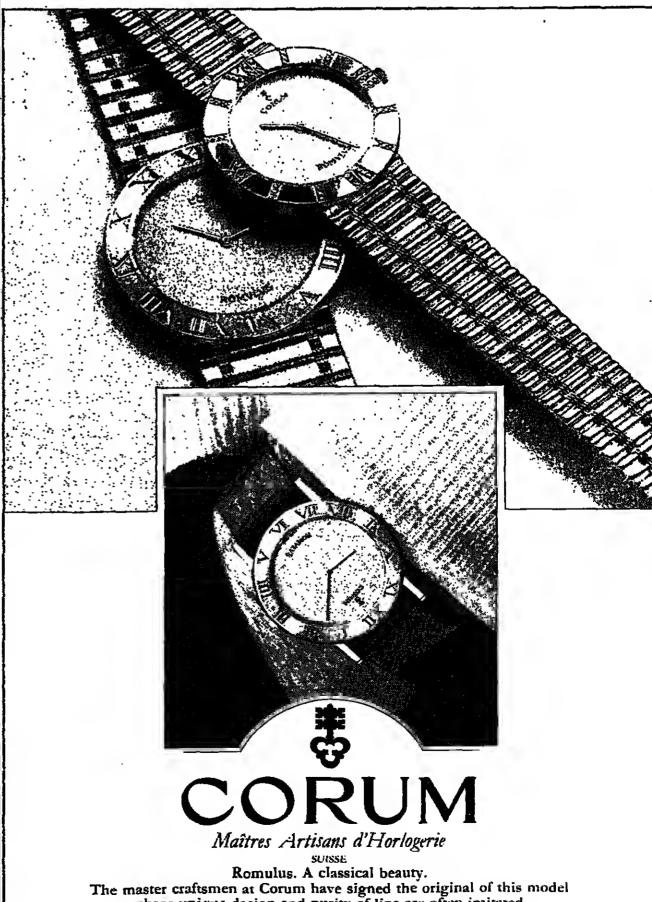
Meanwhile, the company has poured re-sources into the region, opening a laboratory in Japan three years ago and factories in Japan and Malaysia last year, while beefing up its engineering, project management and design capacity in Singapore. Such investments in local operations earn returns not only in additional sales, but by

providing the company with skills and exper-tise that it lacks in the United States.

"In the U.S., all great engineers want to work on product innovation," Mr. Ting said. "In Asia, the best guys want to work on improving the production process."

At Hewlett-Packard's computer factory in Singapore, local engineers proudly display a computerized inkjet printing process they developed last year for printing a buge variety of letters and characters on keyboards.

Previously, the factory used a much more cumbersome and expensive method involving heat transfer from sheets of paper.



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Computer Issues

Lift Stock Prices

Foreign Exchange

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Deutsche marks, up slightly from a close on Tuesday at 1.7010. Traders said few investors were opening fresh positions ahead of the loog boliday weekend and little new business was expected before Monday, even though U.S. markets

will be operating on Friday. "It looks very much like this market's going to be stuck in a tight range between 1.68 and 1.72 marks notil the year's end," said a foreignexchange manager at a Japanese bank in London.

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change. Trading was less active than usual, as many investors got a headstart on Thursday's boliday. NEW YORK - Stock prices gained Wednesday, led by a rally in computer-related issues and opti-About 230,2 million shares were mism about the strength of the traded oo the Big Board, compared with 259,2 million Tuesday. United States' economic recovery.

Markets will be closed Thursday for Thanksgiving Day. They will reopen Friday, but the day after Thanksgiving is normally one of the year's lightest trading sessions.

Machines leading the way. IBM rallied 2 to 55% after an analyst at "The economy is showing more and more signs of strength, and that can only be interpreted as a positive for stocks like IBM, Cater-Smith Barney Shearson Inc. raised his investment rating to "outperform" on hopes that the company pillar and Deere," Marshall Acuff, portfolio strategist at Smith Barney

Shearson, said. The government said orders for IBM, rose 2.82 to 106.87, and the S&P Semiconductor Index gained durable goods climbed 2.0 percent in October, exceeding economists' forecasts of a 1.8 percent increase. The rise in orders helped push shares of Caterpillar, the heavyequipment maker, up 2 to 85% and prices for dynamic random-access memory chips were stabilizing, an-alysts said. Motorola gained % to Deere, which manufacturers farm equipment and construction ma-

chinery, up 314 to 7014. The rise in stocks was limited by concern about rising long-term interest rates, which have gained more than half a percentage point since mid-October. The yield on the 30-year Treasury bond was unchanged Wednesday at 6.30 percent, as the bond's price rose just

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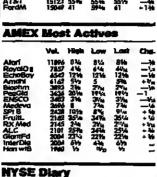
record orders for durable goods from factories in October, added to largely steady on Wednesday in a market which showed little reac-tion either to bullish U.S. economic a series of earlier barometers pointing to a steady if modest recovery data or to a warning by Hans Tiet-mayer, president of the Bundesin the economy. "The economic fundamentals are constructive." said Doug

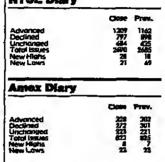
Schaefer, vice president at the Bank of Boston. "It's just that people already own a lot of dollars." Regarding the Bundesbank, Mr. Tietmeyer's warning echoed many of his earlier statements about the dangers of lowering rates too quickly. Falling German rates tend to boost the dollar against the mark.

Against other currencies, the dollar slipped to 108.15 yen on Wednesday from 108.67 on Tuesday and fell to 5,9060 French francs from 5.9125 francs, but it rose to 1.4922 Swiss francs from

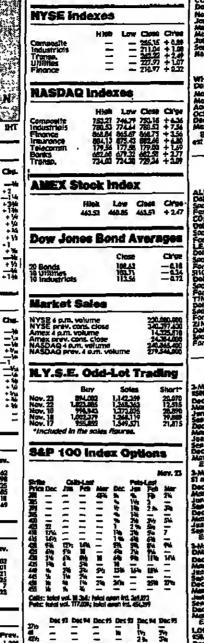






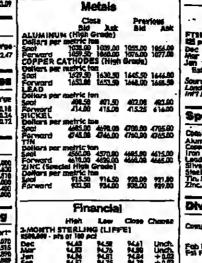


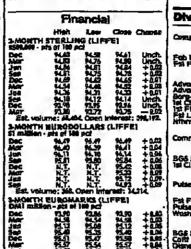
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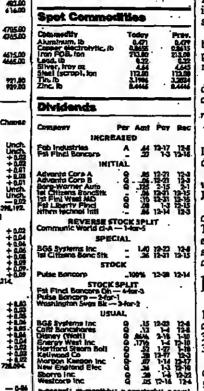


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### U.S./AT THE CLOSE

### **Industry Orders Surge**

WASHINGTON (Combined Dispatches) — The Commerce Department announced Wednesday that orders to factories for durable goods hit a record high in October, providing fresh evidence of modest improve-

ment in U.S. manufacturing.

The government also reported better-than-expected news on jobs on Wednesday as the number of acwly laid-off workers applying for unem-

ployment insurance last week was below most estimates. Paced by increases for transportation orders, primarily aircraft and automobiles, overall orders for durable goods jumped 2 percent, to a seasonally adjusted \$135.8 billion. That broke the record of \$134.8 billion set in December 1988 and marked the third straight monthly gain.

Orders had item 11 increases Orders had risen 1.1 percent in September, according to revised figures, and had climbed 2.5 percent in August.

(AP, Bloomberg)

### Goodrich Selling Stake in Geon

AKRON, Ohio (Bloomberg) — B.F. Goodrich Co. said Wednesday it began a public offering of its remaining interest in Geon Co. for a total of \$248 million.

The sale of 12.9 million shares at \$20 a share represents just under half of Geon's 26.3 million shares outstanding. Money from the sale will be used for expansion of Goodrich's aerospace and specialty-chemicals business, Goodrich said. Shares of Geon, a polyvinyl chloride company. were down 87.5 cents, at 20.875, in late trading on the New York Stock

Goodrich sold part of Geon in an initial public offering in April to finance expansion of its aerospace and chemicals businesses.

### House Passes Legislation on Bonds

NEW YORK (NYT) — The House of Representatives has approved the bond market legislation proposed in the wake of the Salomon Brothers Inc. Treasury scandal in August 1991. The law would make important changes in the regulation of the \$2.4 trillion government securities market

Under the legislation passed late Tuesday, government securities brokers and dealers in the Treasury market would have to follow sales practice rules. Similar rules now apply to brokers in the stock and municipal bond markets.

These rules include suitability standards, which require that a broker determine that a security being sold to a customer be appropriate for that customer's needs and financial status.

#### Toyota Sees U.S. Exports Doubling

TORRANCE, California (Bloomberg) — Toyota Motor Sales USA Inc. said Wednesday that exports of its U.S. made vehicles will more than double, to about 80,000 a year, by 1995.

This year through Oct. 31; Toyota's U.S. exports totaled 35,738 vehicles, up 21.6 percent from a year earlier, the U.S. marketing arm of Japan's largest automaker said.

Japan's largest automaker said.

"We are exporting more American-made Toyotas than ever, nearly one out of every 10 Toyotas built in the United States," said Dong West, Toyota Motor Sales USA group vice president for export and logistics eperations. "By the mid-1990s, we will export at least 80,000 vehicles annually." A company spokesman said that Mr. West's estimate was

#### For the Record

Sales of U.S.-beilt cars rose 16.4 percent, to 183,245 units, in the Nov. 11-20 period — a seasonally adjusted annual selling rate of 7.0 million cars. Sales of domestically produced cars and trucks rose 21.6 percent, to 329,618 units. Total vehicle sales, including imports, rose 16.9 percent, to 324,000 mater. (Knight-Ridder)

Ryder Systems Inc. said its directors declared a special tax-free dividend of one share of its aircraft engine services unit for every four shares of Ryder common stock. The shares, which begin trading Dec. 1. will complete the spin-off of the company's aviation business while it focuses on trucking.

### **OPEC Will Not Cut Output**

VIENNA — OPEC agreed late Wednesday to maintain its current oil output ceiling in the coming months, gambling that demand for its crude would rise in winter and give a lift to badly sagging prices.

Subroto, the lodonesian who is secretary-general of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Couotries, said that after two days of talks, the ministers decided against any cuts in production below the current ceiling

of 24.5 million barrels a day for the October-March period. The pound was quoted at \$1.4885, up from a Tuesday close at in an effort to boost prices, at their lowest in more than three years. Brent \$1.4855. (AFX, Reuters, Bloomberg) crude for January delivery fell 26 cents a barrel Wednesday, to \$15.14.

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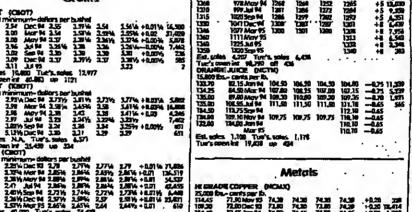
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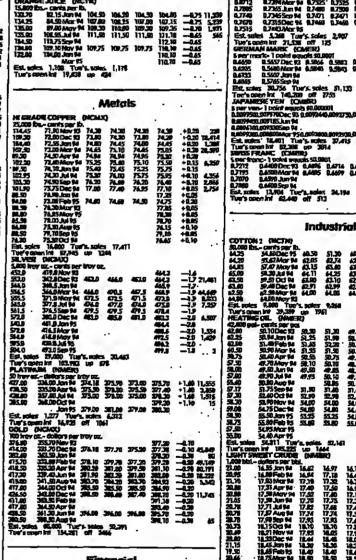
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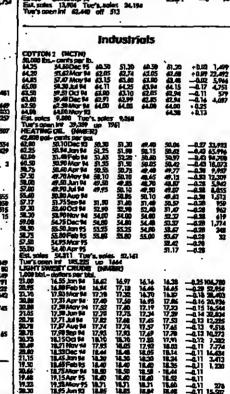
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### Air France To Prune Its Routes

PARIS — Air France, expecting a loss of 7 billion francs (\$1.2 bilion) in 1993, is planning to cut services on a number of its European and North Atlantic routes, a okeswoman said Wednesday.

The spokeswoman, France Cantorne, said the state-owned carrier would announce its winter schedule Thursday or Friday, and that schedule would not include many of the routes served last winter. -

Air France will cease to operate its twice-weekly flights between Paris and Boston and will give up service on many routes from provincial French cities, including flights from Toulouse to other European cities, Ms. Cantorne said.

The route cuts are one piece of a restructuring effort the carrier is assembling. This week, the new chairman, Christian Blanc, told representatives of Air France's 14 unions he would solicit 1,100 voluntary retirements if the government approves.

Another troubled state-run airline, Alitalia SpA, on Wednesday denied reports in Rome that it was seeking Continental Airlines as a partner and warned investors to ignore such speculation until a rescue plan for Alitalia was made public.

### French TV for the U.S.? Canal Plus Hopes to Plug Into Market

By Jacques Neher
International Herald Tribune
PARIS — While France has

led the charge against the influx of American programs on Euro-pean television, Canal Plus, the French pay-TV company, is hop-ing to plug into the U.S. cable TV market with a channel devoted to European films, sports and

arts programming.

Jean-Claude Paris, senior vice
president of Canal Phys. said Wednesday that he will present a programming package to cable operators in several major mar-kets, and that initial response to the idea has been positive.

He is proposing six to eight hours of programming each eve-ning that would highlight con-temporary and classic European films, and provide a general interest offering that might include concerts from Vienna, soccer matches and shows on European fashion, travel, cars or cooking.

"It will be successful if we can create an American channel on European tastes, not a European channel." he said.

Programs, he said, might contain video from shows originally made for European sudiences, but interwoven with interviews

**Dubbing for Dollars** 

The Associated Press NEW YORK - Unifrance Film, France's movie export promoter, is making an ambitious bid to break into the U.S. market with movies dubbed in English. In an alliance with American Multi Cinema, the No. 2 U.S. theater chain, Unifrance hopes next spring to release recent French hits, dubbed in English, in Florida and California. A top candidate is "The Visitors," a comedy about a medieval knight who lands in modern France.

- preferably in English - that make the show more relevant to

American audiences. If cable operators in one or two big U.S. markets express willingness to put such a network on their systems, Mr. Paris said Canal Plus would be willing to invest a minimum of 50 million to 100 million francs (\$8.5 to \$17 million) to pay film rights and develop the programming.

He said the concept is not commercially visble now because of the lack of empty chan-

nels on most big-city cable sys-tems, but that demand could develop with the arrival over the next year or two of digital compression technology, which will permit cable systems to offer nany more channels.

"We want to establish the brand now, before digital arrives," Mr. Paris said, noting that it might take up to four years for the venture to earn a profit.

Cable operators, he said, might pay 20 or 25 cents per subscriber if they included it as part of their basic service, and up to \$2 per-subscriber if they made it part of a premium program offering.

Canal Plus, known for its marketing savvy in France, where it has 3.7 million subscribers. showed its potential to a New York audience on Monday, when it convinced WNYE, a channel run by the New York City Board of Education, to give itself over to a day of programs, with English subtitles, supplied by Canal Plus.

Tereoce O'Driscoll, the station's general manager, said the French programming pleased his audience. "We received an extremely heavy response, with callers asking when we would do

### Deutsche Bank **Buys Another Italian Bank**

Compiled by Our Stall From Desputches FRANKFURT — Deutsche Bank AG, Germany's largest bank, said Wednesday that it planned to buy Banca Popolare di Lecco SpA of Italy in a purchase which could cost it as much as 810 million Deutsche marks (\$474.2 million).

Banking analysis said the move allowed Deutsche Bank to complement its already successful Italian operations for a reasonable price.

Deutsche Bank said it planned to pay 470 million DM for an initial stake of 58 percent from Banca Popolare di Novara SpA. In a second step, it planned to buy the remain-ing 42 percent in an arrangement which could bring the total amount up to as much as 810 million DM.

Banca Popolare di Lecco has assets equivalent to about 6 billion DM and has about 100 branches concentrated in the oorthern Italian region of Lombardy.

Together with Banca d'America & d'Italia SpA. Deutsche Bank's other major holding in Italy, the two banks have over 250 branches.

Helmut Hartmann, a spokesman for Deutsche Bank, said that Banca Popolare di Lecco had a strong

nies in the industrial region around Milan. "Medium-sized companies are our target group," he said.

"It's a sensible move, quite logical." said Chris Davis, an analyst at Barclays de Zoeie Wedd.

Jean Sassus, an analyst at Société Générale in Paris, said the Italian banking market was one of the most attractive in Europe because it was not concentrated and there was scope for growth. He said the price being paid for the acquisition was "not dramatically expensive."

Mr. Davis said he did not believe the purchase was the start of a new phase of major international ex-pansion for Deutsche Bank. He said that Banca d'America & d'Italia "has been profitable and wanted a larger stage to play on."

Regarding Deutsche Bank's ac-tivities in the rest of Europe, spokesmen for the bank said that it was not seeking to enter the large-

scale retail business in France. In March, Deutsche Bank Spain's Banco de Madrid SA and is now the largest foreign

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EMI Music, a unit of Thorn EMI PLC, said it acquired Michael Jackson's music publishing operation, ATV Music, for more than \$100 million: the deal covers 4,000 songs, including the hulk of the Beatles songs written by John Leanon and Paul McCartney, and songs written by Elvis Presley, Little Richard, Kenny Rogers and the Pointer Sisters.

• Bombardier Inc.'s stock rose after it settled a 450 million Canadian dollar (\$339 million) dispute with Eurotunnel PLC over the supply of passenger shuttle cars for the France-Britain railroad link.

• The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development set up a \$60 million credit line to assist small and medium-sized export-oriented businesses in the former Soviet republic of Uzbekistan.

Tate & Lyle PLC's pretax profit rose 17.4 percent, to £222.5 million 1\$331.4 million), in the year to Sept. 30. Bloomberg, AFP, AFN, AF

### French Consumers Paused in October

PARIS - French households' consumption of manufactured goods fell 12 percent in October from the previous month, marking a decline after strong third-quarter growth, the National Statistics Institute, INSEE, said Wednesday.

But Economy Minister Edmond Alphandery said that the October decline did not indicate a reversal of the recent improved trend. "We are coming out of a recession; it's normal that we're

not seeing a linear progression," he said..... Household consumption had risen 0.7 per-

centical products, the October drop would have been 2.4 percent, INSEE said.

Mr. Alphandery, repeating recent comments by Prime Minister Edouard Balladur, said the economy is showing signs of recovery, with the construction sector improving and orders from

abroad picking up. Analysts agreed the drop in October coniption figures was not very surprising in

view of the growth in recent months. They were a bit weaker than we might have expected, but were after, all coming, on the

heels of rather good figures for the last few months," said Derek Scott, economist at Barelays de Zoete Wedd in London.

Durable goods purchases fell 1.7 percent in October after rising 2.9 percent the previous month, INSEE said. A rise in furniture and car purchases failed to offset a sharp fall in hi-fi and television purchases and a less pronounced decline in household appliances purchases.

In car sales, INSEE noted that a 0.9 percent increase in October registrations was occompanied by an increase in foreign automakers' share of the French market.

### Tietmeyer Still Wary on Rates

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BONN - Hans Tieumeyer, president of the Bundesbank. said Wednesday the central bank would not yield to pressure for interest-rate cuts and that further reductions would have to be "doubly cautious."

He also said the expansion of Germany's M-3 money supply had peaked but that West Germany's inflation rate, while slowing, was too high. The annualized figure was 3.9 percent in October and 4 percent in

The West German state of Hesse, one of the first states to report figures. announced Wednesday that its inflation rate for November was 3.8 percent. Many economists ex-pect a rate for all of West Germany of 3.7 percent.

(AFP. Bloomberg)

#### Metallgesellschaft Swings to a Loss For Financial '93

Bloomberg Business News FRANKFURT - Metallgesellschaft AG registered a prelimi-nary group pretax loss of 347 million Deutsche marks 15204 millions in the 1993 financial year, down from a profit of 245 million a year earlier, Chief Executive Heinz

Schimmelbusch said Wednesday, The loss resulted from the onetime costs for restructuring the company's Schiess AG machine tool subsidiary, as well as from losses in raw material production and the Kolbenschmidt AG auto components unit, Mr. Schimmelhusch said. He said the operating loss in the year ended Sept. 30, after extraordinary items, was half that in fiscal 1992.

Separately, Mannesmann AG, the German diversified industry group, said it had a "significant" loss in the first nine months of 1993 as n result of the weak economy.

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### to objections from Community finance minis-ters on Wednesday, publishing guidelines to

BRUSSELS - The EC Commission bowed hoost growth, create employment and produce a single currency that were long on generalities

but short on specifics. The executive agency's paper, "Broad Guide-lines for the Economic Policies," calls for cuts in

interest rates, wage curbs, reduced government deficits and debts, lower inflation, more jobs, higher investment and changes in the tax system. But, after objections from EC ministers Mon-

EC Issues a Less-Ambitious Economic Plan

day, the commission refrained from setting spe-cific targets other than for inflation, which it said should be no more than 3 percent by 1996, compared with about 3.8 percent this year. Ministers had objected to a paper from the

commission urging rapid interest cuts of up to three percentage points, the creation of 15 mil-lion jobs within six years and achieving eco-nomic growth of at least 3 percent by 1996.

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The commission guidelines issued Wednesday make only passing reference to the 15. million jobs target, call for interest rates to be cut when conditions permit and make no mention of growth targets.

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### Investors Dump Japanese Banks Concerns About Hidden Bad Debts Drive the Sales

TOKYO - Growing anxiety over the financial health of Japan's major banks trig-

gered panic selling Wednesday on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

With Japan's major commercial banks set to report their half-year profits starting Thursday, stock investors were feeling skittisb about their earnings prospects, as well as their pile of bad debts. Such concerns helped drive down the al-

ready slumping Nikkei 225 average hy 317.73points, or 1.8 percent to 17.067.11. Since the start of this mouth, the Nikkei has shed 12.2 percent of its value, thanks in part to a steady drumbeat of disappointing earnings from corporate Japan.

Japanese hanks will deliver similarly grim news. The combined current profit of Japan's biggest 11 banks, plunged about 24 percent in the six-month period ended Sept. 30, analysts said. Current profit is pretax operating profit plus results on securities dealing and nonoperating income.

Another worry is the balance sheets of the banks, which have been slow to fully disclose the extent of their nonperforming loans. "What Japanese banks disclose on their bad debt problem is only the tip of the iceberg."

said Alicia Ogawa, a banking industry analyst at Salomon Brothers Asia.

Stock and bond analysts are concerned that if the banks do not tell the truth, investors will sell more financial sector stocks. Estimates of the banking industry's nonperforming loans — those on which interest has not been paid for more than six mooths —

The Ministry of Finance now wants banks to write off all or most bad debts within three years.

vary from 20 trillion to 30 trillion yen (\$185 billion to \$277 billion). Much of such deht is not disclosed when banks report earnings. According to economists and banking analysts, the Ministry of Finance wants Japanese banks to write off all

or most of their bad debt within three years. To get there, most of the banks will have to sell some of their stock and bond holdings to generate enough profits to cover losses. Such sales could also drive the market lower.

"Japan's 21 largest banks would have to sell 620 billion yen in assets if they were to write off their bad debt in three years," esti-

mates Ms. Ogawa of Salomon Brothers. Tokai Bank has sold shares to generate more than 100 billion yen in one-time profit for the six months ended Sept. 30, according to the Nihon Keizai oewspaper. Sakura Bank raised around 90 billion yen and Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank about 50 billion yen in profit

from stock sales, the newspaper said.

All three banks took losses on problem debt greater than their expected return on operations, the paper said.

Earlier this year, the Finance Ministry seemed more concerned the process of writing off bad debt would reveal which of Japan's banks were facing the most financial difficulty, said Ms. Ogawa. But as Japan's recession

drags on, government attitudes have changed.
On Wednesday, the governor of the Bank of
Japan, Yasushi Mieno, said the "banks have
started seriously grappling with problem of
non performing loans." In the past, Mr. Mieno has pointed to troubles in the banking sector as one reason for the delayed recovery of the Japanese economy. Troubled by bad debts. banks have cut lending creating a credit crunch that is hampering the economy.

### Central Bank Says It Is Monitoring Tokyo Stock Slide

TOKYO - The Bank of Japan's governor, Yasushi Mieno, voiced concern Wednesday as Tokyo share prices slumped to an eightmonth low and new data pointed to deeper economic woes.

After the Nikkei stock average fell below 17,000 points for the first time since March 5, Mr. Mieno said the central bank was watching the market - normally not officially a matter of concern to the bank -

with great interest." Business leaders voiced alarm at Japan's protracted recession and the new stock-market slide, which has seen the Nikkei index fall nearly 5 percent in two trading days. It closed Wednesday at 17,067.11, off 317.73 points, or 1.8 percent from

the previous trading day, on Mon-day, when it lost 3.1 percent.
"We must urgently secure the way to economic recovery," said Shoichiro Toyoda, chairman of Ja-

nounced a 5 percent cut in bonuses cut for all its 4,000 managers.

Meanwhile, a research institute said combined pretax profits of major Japanese companies in the six months ended Sept. 30 were down 23 percent from a year earlier. The study by the Wako Economic Research Institute was based on a survey of 635 companies.

(AFP, Reuters) ■ Downgrade for Toshiba

Moody's Investors Service Inc. downgraded the long-term debt of Toshiba Corp. and its subsidiaries, citing a weak business outlook and the sluggish Japanese economy, Agence France-Presse reported.

The rating concern lowered the long-term debt ratings of the parent company. Japan's second-largest electric machinery maker, as well as those of Toshiba America Inc., Toshiba International Finance (Netherlands) BV and Toshiba America pan's largest automaker, Toyota Capital Corp., to Al from Aa3.

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#### Very briefly:

 Japan's Finance Ministry, which recently said it planned to sell shares
it owns in Japan Tobacco Inc. before the current fiscal year ends on
March 31, denied reports that it has delayed the move but said that a
denies has not referred. decision has not yet been made.

 Siemens AG, the German engineering company, signed an agreement with the Australian government to invest 100 million Australian dollars (\$66.3 million) in its operations in the country over the next six years in a bid to expand its exports to the Asia-Pacific region.

 China News Service, the semi-official news agency, said that Hong Kong, Taiwan and the United States own most of the 62,000 foreign joint venture companies in China thath have gained approval this year. A total of \$816.4 billion in funding has been committed in the first nine months of 1993, up 70 percent from the same period last year.

 Australia's exports to Southeast Asia rose 7 percent in the last five years while the country's exports to North America and Europe declined, the government said.

 China will register its first trade deficit since 1989 this year due to a strong appetite for foreign products, the official China Daily reported. It said imports for 1993 were expected to rise 23 percent from 1992.

### India Broadens Commercial Banking

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- 2. To receive and adopt the Report of the Auditor for the year to With September, 1993
- 3. To receive and adopt the Annual Accounts as at 30th September, 1943.
- 4. To appropriate the earnings
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South Korea Opens Door for Foreign Workers

BOMBAY - India is allowing

12 private commercial banks to open this year, the first in 25 years. to sour improvements in stateowned banks, the deputy governor of the Reserve Bank of India, D.R. Mebta, said Wednesday.

Mr. Mehta said the central bank was also allowing a number of foreign banks to operate in India for the first time and permitting some already in the country to open additional branches.

The foreign banks "will provide

SEOUL - South Korea bowed

to cries for help from small manu-

facturers Wednesday, saying it

would admit 20,000 foreigners to fill

A Justice Ministry official said the

workers would be permitted to stay

for up to two years. "We will allow

20,000 foreigners to work for small

companies since we realize the prob-

lems that could arise if the workers have to go," the official said.

unskilled jobs that locals shun.

He said the central bank had approved seven proposals for set-ting up private banks - two of them last week - and planned to clear five more by year-end.

The strong capital bases and advanced technology used by the new commercial banks will prod the state-dominated banking sector to improve, Mr. Mehta said at a seminar on industrial growth, financial reforms and foreign investment.

"The impact is already being another kind of competition," Mr. felt," be said. "Public-sector banks have now begun to initiate mea-

Small-business groups and pro-vincial chambers of commerce have

lobbied for South Korea to relax its

The government also announced it would extend a limited annesty

for illegal guest workers for six

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ed 60,000 illegal foreign workers reg-

istered for the six-month amnesty in

June and were originally required to

leave the country by Dec. 15. Unions and pro-labor groups op-

ban oo migrant labor.

sures to improve their services through computerization."

The government in July said it would permit the opening of pri-vate commercial banks. But Mr. Mehta's statement was the first indication that as many as a dozen would be authorized this year.

The Reserve Bank had delayed approval of new foreign banks since the exposure of a securities scandal in April 1992.

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South Koreans — wages in the manufacturing sector more than work in the labor-intensive dyeing doubled percent from 1987 to 1992 tanning and textile industries, which

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India nationalized major commercial banks in 1969 and 1978. But the banking industry became

unskilled workers and may increase

current level of around 3 percent.

analysts said it had not been help-ing the economy grow since India introdoced market-oriented changes 30 months ago. Last year, the Reserve Bank or-

unprofitable and inefficient, and

dered the banks to observe new accounting rules and to set aside provisions for doubtful and nonperforming assets.

The result was that 13 national-

ized banks showed losses totaling 37.64 billion rupees (\$1.21 billion) in the year that ended March 31, 1993, compared with three report-ing losses totaling 3 billion rupees a

Workers from the Philippines, Pa-

flocking to South Korea in search of

### Keating Won't Aid Inquiry

CANBERRA - Prime Minister Paul Keating said Wednesday he would not appear at a proposed inquiry into an al-leged deal with the Canadian

media baroa Conrad Black, declaring he did "not slum before Senate committees."

"Listen, brother, I know my place in the world. I do not show before Senate committees," Mr. Keating told the opposition

leader. John Hewson, when asked if he would attend. The Senate, where the government is in the minority, is to vote Thursday on holding the inqui-

ry. Mr. Keating need not appear hefore Senate committees.
The controversy follows Mr. Keating's decision to let Mr. Black raise his stake in the John Fairfax Holdings Ltd. ocwspaper concern to 25 percent from 15 percent.



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#### CHINA: Managers of State-Owned Factories Waiting to Become Bosses contract under Chinese communism that guar-Continued from Page 1

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entire plant and its workers bot would be limited to the state's investment in the originally appraised assets.

"If property ownership is clear." Mr. Ln said,
"the managers will have a sense of responsibility. They will be under pressure and motivation to keep the value of their assets or add to the

"If property ownership is not clear, then people have no sense of responsibility, and they are still in the 'iroo rice bowl' system."

The "iron rice bowl" refers to the social

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performance. Mr. Lu also said some state enterprises could become multinational corporations, with boards that presumably would include foreigners and presumably would not be under Com-

munist Party influence. But these kinds of possibilities cause even ardent reformers in the Communist Party to demur. One economist who last week was discussing what he called the "breakthrough" on ownership that had been decided on by party elders told a reporter pot to quote him as using

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the word "privatization," though he had used

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the term several times. Ownership of assets, income from assets. responsibility for losses," the economist recit-ed, "that is the ownership concept that has been adopted. We didn't expect them to privatize allt of the state enterprises overnight, but this is a major step in the right direction."

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## **SPORTS**

## Palmeiro issues an Apology To Clark

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatche ARLINGTON, Texas — Rafael Palmeiro, who had called his former college teammate Will Clark a "lowlife" with "no class," has apologized to the newly signed Rangers first baseman

"I think Will Clark is a great person and a great ballplayer," Pal-meiro said Tuesday night on a Fort Worth radio station. "I was speaking out of frustration and I want to apologize to Will."

Clark signed a five-year, \$30 million contract with the Rangers on Monday. The contract means Palmetro probably will have to sign with another team. Both were free-agent first basemen and Palmeiro, who hoped to re-sign with Texas. had hlasted Clark.
"That's Will." Palmeiro was

quoted as saying in Tuesday's editions of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "That's the way he is. He's got no class. Friendship didn't mat-ter to him. He was looking out for himself. I don't think much of Will. He's a lowlife.

Palmeiro also descrihed the Rangers organization as "low class" and called the cluh's president, Tom Schieffer, a "backstabJays Set

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For Money

The Associated Press
NEW YORK - A full

shares, one half-share, two partial shares and 10 cash

grants, the commissioner's of-

fice said Tuesday. In addition,

the Blue Jays gave four full shares and 28 cash grants to

Philadelphia's players voted 29 full shares, one three-quar-

ter share, four half-shares,

three one-quarter shares, five

one-fifth shares and five cash

grants. The Phillies gave non-

uniformed personnel three full shares, two half-shares, three one-quarter shares, six partial shares and 13 cash grants.

Last year, a full share for the

Blue Jays was worth \$114,962.16, and a full share

on the losing Atlanta Braves was worth \$84,259.13.

The players' pool, 60 per-

Players and owners are at-

tempting to reach a deal on

how money will be split up

next season, when the playoffs

are to he expanded to three

cent of the ticket receipts from

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hing liar."
"They never gave me the option of getting back with them," Pal-metro said. "It was unprofessional. But that's the way Schieffer oper-

Palmeiro told the radio station that he "wants everybody out there

referring to Clark.
"That's not the way I am and he deserves better," he added. Palmeiro did not apologize for

criticizing the way the organization handled his negotiation Palmeiro batted .295 last season with 37 homers, 105 RBIs and a league-leading 124 runs.

Clark, who had played his first eight seasons with the San Francisco Giants, was hampered by injuries for part of the season and batted 283 with 14 homers and 73 RBIs. Clark, a career .300 hitter, saw his average dip to its lowest mark since 1988.

Earlier Tuesday, Clark said his former college roommate had the right to his opinion.

"I respect Rafael Palmeiro as both an athlete and a person," Clark said. "What he says is his

The New York Yankees were thinking of making an offer for Palmeiro — hut only if they can trade outlielder Danny Tartabull, who is owed \$14.25 million during the last three years of his contract and may need shoulder surgery.

Palmeiro's agent, Jim Bronner, clined to discuss where the talks stood. The Yankees' general man-ager. Gene Michael, did not return

the first four games, was a re-cord \$14,798,155, up from \$13,530,613 in 1992. lelephone calls Tuesday. The Yankees have expressed interest in Palmeiro not as a first haseman, because they are not giv-

ing away Don Mattingly's joh, hut as a right fielder. (AP. NYT, UPI)



TAKING FIVE — Michael Jordan, the former Chicago Bulls' star, left, and Charles Barkley of the Phoenix Suns, the National Basketball Association's MVP last season, took a break from filming a sneaker commercial in Phoenix, Arizona. Baridey, meanwhile, was cleared by a prosecutor in Scottsdale, Arizona, of accusations that he had punched a man in a nightclub on Nov. 18.

### A Bittersweet Return to NIT

### Minnesota Coach Is Still Miffed by NCAA Rejection

By William C, Rhoden New York Times Serice

NEW YORK - Clem Haskins said that, all things considered, he was happy to be back in New York. In March, Haskins, the University of Minnesota's basketball coach, completed a five-team sweep and led his team to the National Invitation Tournament championship with a 62-61 victory over George-

On Wednesday evening, Minnesota was to face Kansas as part of a semifinal doubleheader in the Preseason NIT at Madison Square

In the other game, North Carolina, the defending national champi-on, was to meet Massachusetts. But for all the pleasant memories touched off by this week's return visit, Haskins admits that the trip also rekindles some bitter remem

Eight months ago, Haskins found himself at one of the lowest points of his 13-year career as a head college baskethall coach. His Cophers had finished with a 22-10 record, 9-9 in the Big Ten. When the National Collegiate Ath-

team field, Minnesota was not among the chosen.

Instead, Purdne, which also fincrived the nod.

Haskins was enraged and ac-Treally worked

hard to accomplish things, and when I do that I don't want things taken away from me.' Clem Haskins,

cased the NCAA of favoritism and having tilted the selection toward Purdue because of its marquee player, Glenn Rohinson.

Minnesotz coach.

As it happened, things worked out for Minnesota. The Gophers accepted an invitation to the postseason NIT, where they defeated

tion committee announced its 64- Florida, Oklahoma, Southern Cal Providence, and finally George-

town to win the title. "I won the NIT," Haskins said. ished 9-9 in the Big Ten and split its season series with Minnesota, rehad the opportunity to redeem myself, to let the world know we have

a quality ball club." But the hurt will never go away," he said. "I really worked hard to accomplish things, and when I do that I don't want things taken away from me."

With five returning starters including junior guard Voshon Le-nard, who led the team in scoring with a 17.1 average last season -Haskins shouldn't have to worry about making the 64-team NCAA field next March.

Some coaches - North Carolina's Dean Smith, for example — never have to worry about making the field. Or so it seems.

It has been 20 years since a Smith team has failed to make the NCAA tournament. His 1973-74 team finished 22-6 overall and 9-3 in the Atlantic Coast Conference, It accepted a hid to the NIT, where it st in the first round.

Smith's subsequent teams have made 19 consecutive appearances in the NCAA tournament and won the championship in 1982 and

But on Tuesday, Smith com-plained about the enormous growth of college baskethall and even suggested that one way to put college sports, particularly basket-ball, back in perspective would be to cut hack on March Madness.

"If we want to be honest about what's right in college athletics. we'd do away with the tourna-

ment." he said.
"If presidents are saying there's too much emphasis, let's do away with the NCAA hasketball tournament, let them put their money where their mouths are, he added. "That'll put it hack in perspective, it wouldn't bother me. There will be a tournament, of

course, and many experts have made North Carolina a favorite to

Not only do four starters return

— Eric Montross at center, Donald Williams and Derrick Phelps at guard and 8rian Reese at forward - hut North Carolina has three outstanding freshmen in Jeff McInnis, a guard, and the frontcourt players Jerry Stackhouse and Rasheed Wallace

The only times Massachusetts and North Carolina have met were in the postseason NIT.

In 1971. Massachusetts, with Ju-lius Erving, lost by 90-49 in the first round. In 1973, North Carolina

The tubber match on Wedne day could be interesting.

The smaller Minunemen have a quick team, with Louis Roc. a 6-7 (2-meter) junior forward: Marcus

Camby, a 6-11 freshman center: Dana Dingle, a 6-6 sophomore forward-guard from St. Raymonds in the Bronx and Donta Bright, a 6-6 forward-guard from Dunbar High School in Baltimore.

Asked to assess North Carolina John Calipari, the Massachusetts head coach, said: "They have two weaknesses in their program right now. Their fourth-team center doesn't score well, and their fourthteam center has a tendency to turn it over. Other than that, we're playing a powerful basketball team.

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### O'Neal and Magic Pound Webber and Warriors in the opening half, hitting 8 of 13 shots and drawing two of the three fouls that kept Golden State's rookie on the bench for 11 minutes. The Associated Press Shaquille O'Neal and Chris

Rockets 100, Bulls, 93: Houston

kept alive its streak of holding op-

ponents under 100 points, beating visiting Chicago behind Hakeem

Olajuwon's 28 points, 11 rebounds and 6 blocked shots.

The Rockets became the seventh

season 10-0. Washington holds the

NBA record with a 15-0 start in

Clippers 105, Mavericks 98: Los

Angeles stopped Dallas for the ninth straight time and handed the

Mavericks their fifth straight loss at

nome as Ron Harper scored 32

points and Loy Vaught 24.

The Clippers started the fourth quarter with a 7-0 run, including

Mark Aguirre's 3-pointer and con-

secutive baskets by Gary Grant, for a 77-70 lead.

The Mavericks, losers of six straight games overall and 1-9 for

the season, closed to 79-77 before

Vaught hit a pair of free throws and

points in the fourth quarter for

Portland against visiting Denver. The Blazers led, 74-70, after

three periods before Strickland

scored six points in a 12-4 run that

built the margin to 86-74.

Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf scored

19 of his 24 points on 8-for-11

Nuggets, who led by as many as 13 points in the second period. But he got off only one shot in the third

Hawks 103, Lakers 94: Domi-

nique Wilkins had 28 points and a

season-high 12 rebounds as Atlanta won its fifth straight game and handed visiting Los Angeles its

fourth straight loss.

Webber, fellow No. 1 draft picks: who could have become teammates, were not supposed to guard

each other.

After all, O'Neal is 7-feet-1-inch tall (2.16 meters) and weighs 300

**NBA HIGHLIGHTS** 

share for winning the World Series with the Toronto Blue pounds (135 kilograms), while Wehber is 6-9 and 250 pounds. But a foot injury to his center, Victor Alexander, forced the Gold-Jays in October was worth a record \$127,920.77, and a full losing share on the Philadel-phia Phillies was worth \$91,222.27, also the most ever. en State coach, Don Nelson, to pair Webber with O'Neal in their first meeting since Webber was drafted No. 1 by the Orlando Magic last Toronto's players divided their \$5,327,335.76 into 34 full

> The result was a mismatch that O'Neal exploited to lead the Magic to a 120-107 victory Tuesday right in Orlando, Florida.

June and then traded to the War-

"That's not the way we wanted to play the game," Nelson said. "We wanted to have Alexander play him, but you've got to take whatever you have. Alexander wasn't available. So that's the way

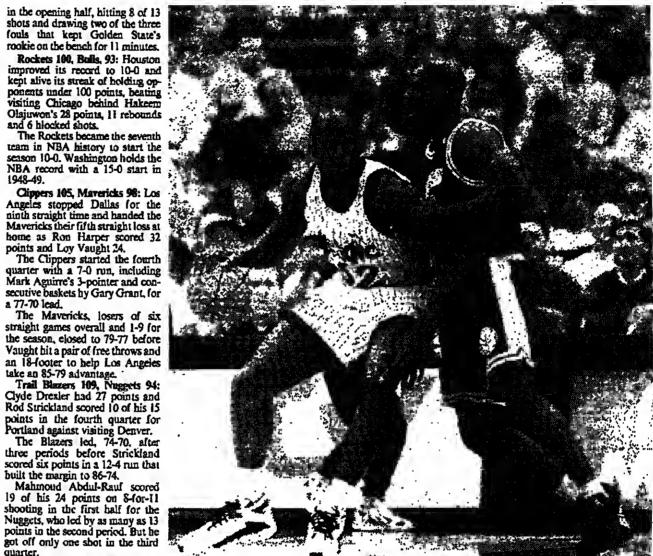
O'Neal scored 28 points and Nick Anderson 24 for the Magic, who used a 15-0 run to take control in the fourth quarter. Webber finished with 13 points and 10 re-

"Anyone who plays me one-onone is overmatched." O'Neal said.
"But they're short of centers. No first-year player can do it all."
Billy Owens and Latrell Sprewell

led the Warriors with 18 points

each. Anternee Hardaway, the Orlando rookie whose rights were traded for Webber's, had 23 for Orlando. which rallied from a 16-point deficit in the second quarter to trail, 55-54, at halftime. O'Neal started the comeback with a dunk and had six points during a 10-2 hurst to close

the second period. O'Neal outscored Wehber, 19-4,



Orlando's Shaquille O'Neal had little trouble getting around Chris Webber and the Warriors.

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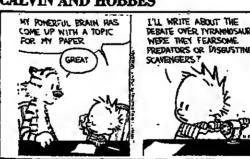


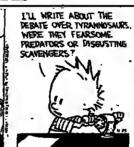
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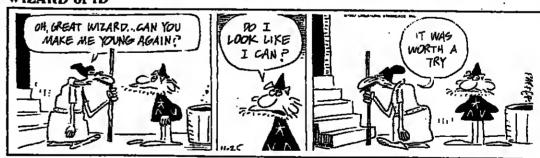








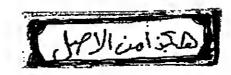
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## **SPORTS**

### College Bowl Mess: Matchup Plan May Keep Top 2 Apart

WASHINGTON — A year ago, the College Football Bowl Coalition used the results of the final regular-season Associated Press media poll to determine the matchups for its games. This year, in an effort to have a more inclusive matchup process, the Coalition decided to base its matchups on the com-bined results of the final regular season AP and USA Today/CNN coaches' polls — a compilation called the Bowl Coalition Poll. What has the Coalition gotten

Florida State is No. 1 in the media poll and Nebraska is No. 1 in the coaches' poll. Nebraska is No. 1 in the Bowl Coalition Poll and Florida State is No. 2.

Like Nebraska, West Virginia and Auburn are undefeated. But the Mountaineers are third in the Bowl Coalition Poll, while the Tigers are fourth. And Notre Dame 10-1), which beat Florida State (10-1) two weeks ago, is fifth.

Last year, the Coalition achieved both of its goals. Bowl bids were awarded at the end of the season, thereby allowing the top two teams to meet for the national title. That quieted talk of a playoff.

This year, five teams can lay claim to the top ranking, and the Coalition may prevent a meeting of No. 1 and No. 2.

The Coalition Poll has brought out a lot of problems with the system that have never been paid attention to," said the Orange Bowl executive director, Keith Tribble.

According to the Big East Confer-ence commissioner, Mike Tranghese, the Coalition has decided its annual review will include discussions of two issues central to the fairness of its matchup process; the status of teams ineligible to particitional Collegiate Athletic Association sanctions, and the use of the media and coaches' polls in the mat-mational championship in a bowl chup process. Coalition participants game if Nebraska and Florida State include the Orange, Fiesta; Cotton also win this week.

ences; and Notre Dame.

Aubum has ended its regular season 11-0, but because the Tigers are on probation they are ineligible for a bowl game. That means they are ineligible to receive votes in the

But all teams are eligible to re-Coalition decided that, in such situations, the media-poll point total of teams incligible for a bowl game would be doubled for the purpose of ranking in the Bowl Coalition Poll. Auburn is ranked third in this week's media poll.

What difference does this make? Nebraska will play Oklahoma at home on Friday. Florida State will olay at Florida on Saturday. West Virginia will play at Boston College on Saturday.

Losses by two of those three teams could enable Auburn to move up to one of the top two positions in the media and Bowl Coalition polls. Then there would be no match of the top two teams.

As the Big Eight champion, Ne-braska will play in the Orange Bowl. If Nebraska finishes as one of the top two teams in the final Dame finishes as the other, then there would be a No. I-vs.-No. 2 matchup in the Orange Bowl.

All of this leads back to the issue of the Bowl Coalition's use of the media and coaches' polls. Nebras-ka officials and fans had been complaining that there was a bias against the Cornhuskers among the

But now West Virginia is feeling shut out because it is 10-0 and No. 3 in the media, coaches' and Bowl Coalition polls.

Regardless of whether the Mountaineers beat Boston College this week, they are looking at having almost no chance to secure a



Austria Salzburg's midfielder Wolfgang Feiersinger, left, battling Sporting Lisbon's Luis Figo in their UEFA Cup match Wednesday.

### Bowl Coalition Polt and Florida Bowl Coalition Polt and Florida State, West Virginia or Notre Dame finishes as the other, then

LONDON — The veteran coach

Don Howe on Wednesday ruled asked," said Howe. "I've had my himself out of consideration for the job of manager of England's national soccer team, even on a care-taker basis, and suggested that Ter-ry Venables sbonld get the

Several papers speculated that Howe, 58, would soon be named by England's Football Association as temporary manager before a fulltime appointment was made early

Graham Taylor quit as manager on Tuesday, six days after the team's elimination from the 1994 World Cup competition,

"I've had no approach from the offer my help to any of the coaches go. It's a good time to try other people out. They we got the likes of Terry Venables and Steve Coppell - they should be given the

Howe has been a manager at club or international level since he quit playing in the mid-1960s. He worked as assistant to Ron Greenwood at the 1982 World Cup and was Bobby Robson's deputy at the 1986 and 1990 World Cups.

"I did 10 years and that was enough," said Howe, who also coached the Turkish club Galatasaray in Istanbul. "I'll be bappy to

who take over, but that's all,"

Venables, who also coached FC Barcelona, was fired as chief executive of the Tottenham Hotspurs early this year. Coppell, a former Manchester United and England star, resigned as manager of Crystal Palace after it was relegated from the Premier League.

England's soccer authorities are not in any burry to replace Taylor. And the nation's top club managers are not banging on the F.A,'s doors demanding the job.

lichip, said a temporary manager would take charge of exhibition and Germany in April.

After that, the F.A. would look

for a permanent manager, or even two working in tandem, he said. Because it is staging the next European Championships, in 1996, England does not bave to qualify for another tournament until the 1998 World Cup in France, Bryan Robson, Manchester Un-

as a candidate for the No. 2 post. He acknowledged on Wednesday any approach from the F.A. Rob-son, 36, played for England 90 Viktor Ikpeba of Nigeria scored times. (AP, AFP) just before halftime for a 2-0 lead.

### **Barcelona Holds** Galatasaray to Scoreless Tie

Galatasaray squandered three chances to score in the first half in Istanbul and was held to a goalless tie by Barcelona in a European to 3-1 when he scored on a penalty Champions League game on in the 63d minute. Lilian Thuram

The Turkish club is a surprise qualifier for the third stage of Europe's most prestigious competition for soccer clubs, having ousted Manchester United in Round 2 on the away-goals rule after 3-3 and 0-

Barcelona players, who dis- goal played more of a defensive play in play. the first half, escaped three close calls in the 19th, 28th and 41st minutes when the Galatasaray strikers Hakan Sukur, Kubilay Turkyilmaz and Suat Kaya failed to score from excellent positions. Barcelona also missed a chance when the Brazilian striker Romario

missed in the 22d minute.

Anderlecht 0, AC Milan 0: In Brussels. Anderlecht could not score despite an intensive offensive effort and AC Milan failed to make

its counterattacks count. In the 60th minute, the Ander-lecht midfielder Johan Walem hit the crossbar from 25 meters 180 feet), and Milan's Sebastiano Rossi made a good save to keep out the rebound from the striker Filip

Ten minutes later. Milan answered. It's star striker. Jean-Pierre Papin, came alive with a 17-meter shot that crashed against the post. But Brian Laudrup put the re-bound just wide, with the goalie,

Filip De Wude, well beaten. With 15 minutes to go, Papin beat the defense on sheer speed and strength, but overran himself as be

bungled his shot from close range. Monaco 4, Spartak Moscow 1: Monaco took charge early in Monited's captain, has been mentioned to Carlo against the Russian champions, with Jürgen Klinsmann scoring in the 18th minute by beating the Russian goalie and deliver-

Igor Pissariev scored three minutes into the second period. But Youri netted the fourth in the final min-

Porto 3, Bremen 2: In Porto, Portugal, the striker Domingos scored first for FC Porto with a goal in the sixth minute, and then Rui Jorge made it 2-0 in the 34th minute. Jose Carlos got the third goal 21 minutes from the end of

goals in the last five minutes - by Bernd Hobsch and Wynton Rufer -- that could be crucial in deciding the semifinal line-up should Bremen and Porto produce the same number of points.

■ In UEFA Cup competition on Wednesday.

Juventus 3, Tenerife 0: The UEFA Cup bolders put themselves in sight of the quarterfinals of the competition by overpowering the Spanish club in their third-round. first-leg match in Turin. The strikers Andreas Moeller

and Roberto Baggio were simply too sharp for the Spaniards, who played without five of their top players because of suspensions. Moeller put Juventus ahead in the

third minute, beating goalkeeper Manuel Manolo to a Baggio free kick and heading the ball home. Juventus finished off Tenerife with two roals in the second half in

the space of six minutes. Baggio drove home a 69th min ute penalty after Moeller had been

downed by the Manolo. Moeller then turned provider when his astute pass sent the mid-fielder Giancarlo Marocchi clear. Marocchi squared the ball to Fabrizio Ravenelli, who slid it into an

Sporting Lisbon 2, Salzburg 9: In Lisbon, Captain Jorge Cadete, returning after injury, scored Sporting Lisbon's second goal to strengthen the Portuguese side's hand for the second leg.

Sporting, coached by the former England manager Bobby Robson. opened the score in the 24th minute when the Ukrainian striker Sergei Scherbakov raced into the box. shook off two defenders and fired a fierce left-foot shot into the net.

that Cadere headed the second from a free kick by the Bulgarian striker Krasimir Balakov.

Inter Milan I, Norwich City: In Norwich, England, Dennis Bergkamp squandered three easy chances but fired bome a penalty 10 minutes from the end to lift Inter Milan.

The Dutch striker showed good

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(AP, Reiders, AFP)

### Swamp Showdown For Florida Rivals

### High Stakes for Gators and Seminoles

By Larry Dorman. New York Times Service .

GAINESVILLE, Florida — The last two things Errict Rhett and his University of Florida teammates will see before they step onto the field Saturday to face Florida State. are an old photograph and a recent sign. The photo is of Dale Van Sickle, a defensive end from the 1928 Florida team, which almost went to the Rose Bowl. The sign, painted above the doorway two seasons ago, reads:

"The Swamp, Only Gators Get Out Alive."

This confluence of old and new. nt the end of the tunnel leading to its home field, appropriately symbolizes the present Gator team. Before Steve Sparrier returned to coach his alma mater in 1990, that 1928 team was regarded as the greatest team in Florida history. Now, playing at Ben Hill Griffin Stadium at Florida Field, known as The Swamp, the 1993 Gators will try to supplant that '28 team, which

#### It all starts with Florida State. That's the game we're all thinking about. Errict Rhett,

lost its season finale to Tennessee to miss the Rose Bowl. It will try to erase the memory of the 1991 team. which lost to Notre Dame in the Sugar Bowl. The Gators, 9-1 and ranked No. 7 in the Associated Press poll and No. 6 in the CNN/USA Today poll, actually have a theoretical chance at the

Florida running back

No one says much about it, but should Florida win its remaining two games — the Gators also play Alahama on Dec. 4 for the Southeastern Conference title — and then win the Sugar Bowl, and should Nebraska and West Virginia, both undefeated, lose along the way, Florida could be in a position to win it all.

"It all starts with Florida State." said Rhett, the Gators' star running back. "That's the game we're all thinking about, I really want to go out with a bang. I don't want to have to drive by the stadium some day in the Inture knowing that we lost our last game there as seniors." Although the Gators have not lost a home game at The Swamp since Spurrier took over as head

coach (their 23-game home winning streak is second in the nation to Miami's 56-game streak). Florida is an 11-point underdog to Florida State, Against a cross-state ri-val, with all that is at stake, and before a capacity crowd of 85,000, the point spread seems strange. To some of the Florida players, it the murky background right into seems like a slap in the face.

"It's a sign of disrespect for our program," said Chris Doering, a sophomore wide receiver. "Everyone has been talking about how FSU deserves a rematch with Notre Dame and the chance to play for a national championship in n bowl. But no one's mentioned they have to get by us first." That looms as a difficult task.

The two teams are almost evenly matched offensively. Both can and will score. The Seminoles have the No. 1 scoring offense in the nation, averaging 44.1 points, and Florida is No. 2, averaging 42.3 per game. Both teams have underrated running attacks and suspect defenses.

The Florida State defense is statistically the better of the two, but is susceptible to the run. As Notre Dame demonstrated when it rushed for 239 yards in its 31-24 victory over Florida State, the Seminoles have some holes on the line.

Rhett will most likely be the weapon Florida uses to exploit them. He is the leading rusher in Florida history—ahead of Emmitt Smith—with 4,068 career yards and is second on the Gators' career receiving list with 150 catches. He is minth in the nation in rushing. averaging 119.4 yards per game.

Rhett is a punishing, north and south runner who talks as straight as he runs. He will give you no trash talk about Florida State. Not even the hint of it. He doesn't make the same mistake twice. Last year, he said a couple of things about how no one could tackle him, and had the newspaper clipping delivered to him — mounted and laminated by two of his Seminole buddies, Sterling Palmer and Marvin Jones, immediately after Florida State's 45-24 victory.

"I'll just say that it surprises me that the point spread isn't a lot more than it is," Rhett said diplomatical-"We've had some close games and they've blown almost every-body out. Their second and thirdstringers could beat a lot of teams." But not this Florida team. Flori-

da State will need a good game from its first-stringers to prevail. Quarterback Charlie Ward, the likely Heisman Trophy winner, must pressure the Florida defense by getting omside the pass rush. On defense, the Seminoles will need to find a way to contain Rhett and the Gator passing attack.

The minus for Florida is the uncertainty at quarterback. Spurrier still hasn't said whether he will start junior Terry Dean or freshman Danny Wuerffel. The two have been splitting time most of the

The Swamp at Florida Field has swallowed up 23 straight oppo-nents. Now the road to the national title leads through it. If the Semi-noles get out miscathed, they will move a step closer to the title. If not, the Gators could come out of

### Tomba's in Colorado, but Where's la Bomba?

By Barbara Lloyd

WINTER PARK, Colorado - Can that really be the fiery Italian ski racer, Alberto over there in the olimity at come of the Vintage restaurant, his shoulders bunched and his eyelids at half mast? It is Tomba - Tomba la Bomba to the

legion of fans in Italy who exult in his flamboyant successes on the slopes. But here be is in Winter Park, getting ready for this weekend's World Cup event in Park City, Utah, yet looking more like a truck driver after a two-day haul. There are no googly-eyed girls pining

for his autograph here, and no flashbulbs making a kaleidoscope of his meltdown smile. He is unshaven, a typical ski bum look. But his jewelry, all gold, and his clothes, a red T-shirt, bright green baggy pants and a blue and green pile sweater. give him away.

"Winter Park is best for me for training," said Tomba, 26, after a steak dinner.
"If I stay in Italy, it is too difficult. There tant race in every sport."

is no press, no people bere. Nobody knows me. I am alone."

The obsessive attention that follows Tomba in Europe results largely from the panache that comes with his skiing. Having won gold medals at the 1988 Calgary Olympics in the slalom and giant slalom events, he went on to the 1992 Albertville Games to win another gold medal in the giant slalom and a silver in the slalom. With the two giant slalom golds, he became the first person in history to win a gold in the same event in two Olympics.

The Olympics are an elixir for Tomba from the less tasteful World Cup circuit. He relishes the change in the Winter Games schedule that has resulted in bolding the Games in Lillehammer, Norway. this year rather than in 1996, four years after Albertville. Olympic officials made the switch to take the Winter and Summer Games out of the same four-year cycle.

"I am lucky because I can do three Olympics in six years," Tomba said. "The Olympics are the best, because they are more for the people, It is the most impor-

The question is, can Tomba overcome a relatively lackluster season last year in the World Cup circuit to triumph at Lillehammer? Although he was second in both the slalom and giant slalom events in 1993, be received the equivalent of a royal brusboff, was fifth overall to his determined rival. But the rebuil did little to quell Tomba's Mare Girardelli of Luxembourg, who was the season's champion.

Tomba also took a second scat to an upand-coming and potentially brilliam skier from Norway, Kjetil Andre Aamodt. Aa-modt, 22, won the giant slalon champion ship, and was second overall in the 1993 World Cup. Tomba missed the 1993 World Championship in Morioka, Japan. because of the flu.

"Last year was a bad year for me," Tomba said. "I was sick, and I lost 20 days in training. But this year will be better. I went for a month last summer to Chile for training. It was quiet, no press, no people."

Tomba's newly acquired longing for solitude does not mesh with his public persona. He is the self-proclaimed "messiah of skiing," and the anointed Don Juan of

When the muscle-bound, 200-pound (95-kilogram) terminator of the slopes tried to woo the fantasia of ice, Katarina With during the Calgary Olympics, he pursuit of future conquests of the heart. Still, the rigors of daily training and an

adoring public that won't leave him alone appear to have taken a toll. Tomba will be 27 in December, in Alpine skiing, tantamount to old age. "It's my job now." he said. "Four or five years ago, everything was a joke. Every-

thing was fun. But I am older now. And I don't like anymore to go to discos in the night because everybody in Italy knows me. It's too hard." People's expectations are also wearing

thin. "I don't know wby they always wait for Tomba to win every race." he said. Nobody helps me when I lose a race." As for Tomba, a dose of victory in the slalom events in Park City on Saturday and Sunday would bolster a sagging spirit.

### SIDELINES

### Istanbul to Bid for 2004 Olympics

ISTANBUL (AP) — Istanbul, whose bid to stage the 2000 Summer Olympics failed, plans to try again for the 2004 Games, Sukru Erdem, Turkey's state minister for sports, said Wednesday.

"All international games to take place in our country will show the world once again that Istanbul is a city worthy of the Olympics," he said.
"We have also announced our candidacy for the 2004 Olympics."

Istanbul finished last in the vote in September when the International Olympic Committee selected Sydney as site of the 2000 Games.

### Stasi Kept Tabs on Sex, Witt Says

HAMBURG (AP) — The German figure skating star Katarina Witt claims that the East German secret police had her under such close surveillance that they even knew when she was having sex. Witt, in an interview with the German magazine Sports, said she was the target of intense scrutiny by the Stasi secret police.

"I was really trapped, as in a spider's web." Witt was quoted as telling Sports. Excerpts of the interview were published Wednesday in advance of the magazine's appearance on newsstands later this week. She said she was kept under such close watch that once the police even recorded the length of her sexual intercourse. "Sexual intercourse from 20:00 to 20:07," she was quoted as saying about the files. "You just can't believe it."

Referees Accept NHL Salary Offer

NEW YORK (NYT) — Don Mechan, the agent for the striking National Hockey League officials, said that the union had accepted the league's proposed salary scale and had halved its benefits proposal from an increase of \$1.5 million a year to \$750,000 a year for the 58 members.

"We've made n serious concession we're not entirely happen with," Mechan, whose group has been on strike for 10 days, said Tuesday. "I'm not sure where we so from here except for completely carrindating to the

Moetian, whose group has been on strike for to days, said Tuesday to the not sure where we go from here except for completely capitalizing to the league, if that's the response they're looking for, it's not going to happen. Jeffrey Pash, lawyer for the league, said in response that Mechan's comments represented progress "but relatively intle movement." He also declared the strike "a dismal failure." For the Record

William Vargas of Cuba set a world weightlifting record in the 54-

winding vargas of Cana set a world weightning feeter in the skilogram category at the Central American and Caribbean Games on Tuesday in Ponce, Puerto Rico, hoisting 123 kilograms (270 pounds) in the snatch. The previous mark of 122.5 kilograms was set by Bin Yang of China in Melbourne earlier this month.

(Reuters) Raywood Sullivan, who has served as general partner of the Boston Red Sox since 1978, sold his interest in the major-league baseball team on

Tuesday to JRY Corp. (UPI)
Bruce Kamball, 30, a former U.S. Olympic diver, was released from a halfway house in Wilton Manors, Florida, to his family on Wednesday after serving less than five years of a 17-year manslaughter sentence for driving drunk into a group of teenagers and killing two.

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Bornssia Doctmund 1. Brondby 1: In Copenhagen, Borussia Dort-mund, the side that Juventus beat in last year's final, needed a 61st minute equalizer from the Swiss striker Stephane Chapuisat to earn a draw. Jesper Kristensen had opened the scoring for the Danish club with a goal in the 19th minute.

approach play throughout the game, but failed to capitalize in front of the goal when be missed chances with only the Norwich goulie to beat.

### The Merci Donnant Dig

Last summer archaeologists from Paris were digging in the ruins around Plymouth, Massachuseus. They came across a stone tablet that described how the Native Americans celebrated Thanksgiving. Since this tablet was sent by the Pilgrims through the U.S. Post Office, the French never received u — and that is why I am reprinting a copy of that description for the first time.)

O NE of our most important holidays is Thanksgiving Day. known in France as le Jour de Merci

Le Jour de Merci Donnani was first started by a group of Pilgrims (Pèlerins) who fled from l'Angleterre before the McCarran Act to found a colony in the New World the Nou-

Monde) where they could sboot Indians (les Peaux-Rouges) and eat turkey (dinde) to their hearts' con-

They landed at a place called Plymouth (now a famous roiture

Americaines in a Buchwald wooden sailing ship called the Mayflower, or Fleur de Mai, in 1620. But while the Pèlerins were killing the dindes the Peaux-Rouges were killing the Pélerins and there were several hard winters ahead for both of them. The only way the Peaux-Rouges helped the Pelerins was when they taught them to grow corn (mais). The reason they did this was that they liked corn with their Peler-

In 1623, after another harsb year, the Pèlerins' crops were so good that they decided to have a celebration and give thanks because more mais was raised by the Pélerins than Pelerins were killed by Peaux-Rouges.

Every year on le Jour de Merci Donnani, parents tell their children an amusing story about the first

It concerns a brave capataine named Miles Standish (known in France as Kilometres Debourish) and a shy young heutenant named Jean Alden. Both of them were in love with a flower of Plymouth called Priscilla Mullens tno translation). The vieux capitaine said to the jeune

"Go to the damsel Priscilla (Alle: très vite chez Priscillat, the loveliest maiden of Plymouth the plus pile made this great day possible.

demoiselle de Plymouthj. Say that a blunt old captain, a man not of words but of action tun views Fanjan la Tulipe), offers his hand and his heart, the hand and heart of a soldier. Not in these words, you know. but this, in short, is my meaning.

"I am a maker of war iJe suis un fabricant de la guerre) and not a maker of phrases. You, bred as a scholar (Vous, qui êtes pain comme un étudiunt), can say 11 in elegant language, such as you read in your books of the pleadings and wooings of lovers, such as you think best adapted to win the heart of the

Although Jean was fit to be tied convenable à être emballé), friendship prevailed over love and he went to his duty. But instead of using elegant language, he blurted out his mission. Priscilla was muted with amazement and sorrow trendue

muette par l'étonnement et la tris-At length she exclaimed, interrupting the ominous silence: "If the great captain of Plymouth is so very eager to wed me, why does he not come himself and take the trouble to woo me?" (Où est-il, le vieux Kilomètres? Pourquoi ne vient-il pas

auprès de moi pour tenter sa chance?) Jean said that Kilomètres Debouush was very busy and didn't have time for those things. He staggered on, telling her what a wonderful husband Kilometres would make. Finally Priscilla arched ber evebrows and said in a tremulous voice:

"Why don't you speak for yourself,

And so, on the fourth Thursday in November, American families sit down at a large table brimming with tasty dishes, and for the only time during the year eat better than the

No one can deny that le Jour de Merci Donnant is a grande fête and no matter how well fed American families are, they never forget to give thanks to Kilometres Deboutish, who

### For Sale: Kitchen Tips By Duchess of Windsor

By Frank J. Prial New York Times Service

NEW YORK — Just when we thought they'd been totally forgotten, they're back. Wallis and Edward. You remember them, Wallis Warfield Simpson, the Baltimore divorces, and Edward VIII, the King of Eng-

land. Also known as the Duke and Duchess of Windsor. For a time they were the world's most romantic couple. Filty-seven years ago next month, the English-speaking world huddled around radios to hear Edward, who had

just quit the throne, intone in a reedy voice that be could

no longer carry on "without the help and support of the

She was often characterized as a relentless social climber and he as a rather dim hulb. But to millions of people trapped in the grip of the Depression, people who had nothing, the spectacle of someone who had everything giving it up for a woman was immensely romanuc. Why was he so crazy about her?

Could it have been her cooking? Don't laugh. On Dec. 10, Sotheby's will offer for sale "My Personal Cookbook" by, yes, the duchess herself. The manuscript. for that is as far as the project got, is part of a

Gateau Egyptian In Her Own Writ

Yes York Times Service F OLLOWING are three recipes, exactly as written. from "My Personal Cookbook," by the Ducbess of

SOLE DEMI-DEUIL (SOLE IN HALF MOURNING) Poach fillets of sole in white wine with juice of lemon. Place in oven for 10 minutes in a Pyrex dish. Make a cream sauce with: 750 grams of butter, 50 grams

flour, is liter milk, is liter heavy cream, I juice of lemon, I yolk of egg and some of the sole bouillon. Place the fillets of sole on a long dish, cover with cream sauce, and recover with caviar the surface. Place around the fillets tartelettes of caviar. Serve very hot,

AVOCADO PEARS TAHITI Cut the avocados in half, allowing one balf to a person. Remove pit.

Fill center with rum slightly flavored with brown sugar, Serve on ice.

GATEAU EGYPTIAN Make a light sponge cake that is fairly deep.

Scoop out the center. Cover the outside of the cake with cold blackberry jelly. It is sometimes advisable to melt the jelly first so it will

spread smoothly. Fill the center with whipped cream flavored subtly with

When ready to serve, pour hot blackberry jelly over the

collection of Windsor memorabilia being put up for sale. Sotheby's hopes to make \$8,000 on the cookbook alone. Interested in whipping up a fresh Salade Russe, perhaps? The duchess will guide you, step by step. Never mind that Salade Russe is carrots and peas with mayon-naise. How often does one get to eat something dreamed

up by a duchess? The recipes, such as they are, come sandwiched between reminiscences of girlish culinary adventures back in Baltimore and heart-warming glimpses of ducal domesticity in Paris. New York and other Windsor watering holes.

"When we're in Florida," the duchess confides, "I enjoy lap lunches in the car." There was a supermarket next door to her reducing salon and, she says. "I cannot resist it. Regularly, I find myself buying a package of cold meat, salami usually, smoked cheese, biscuits and a cellophane bag of striped peopermint balls, upon which I hmch

happily during my ride home." The duchess pulled together this culinary potpourri in 1958. It began as a series of articles for The American Weekly, a Sunday newspaper supplement.

At one point the duchess acknowledges that The Weekhy's "home economists" tested all her recipes and worked "long and bard" to simplify them. In many instances, she said, these experts suggested "canned, frozen and bottled products, available in American supermarkets," which could save "time and energy." Just like the stuff she picked

up in Defray Beach, Florida.

As all dedicated Windsor watchers will recall, Wallis and Edward kept a home in the Bois de Boulogne in Paris and a country place, the Moulin de la Tuilerie, about two bours southwest of the city at a town called Gif-sur-Yvette. They had a French chef and a kitchen staff, their

own gardens and access to the best French markets. Here is the Duchess of Windsor on that beneficence." wonder often." she ruminates, "if American housewives appreciate their good fortune in having so many excellent frozen foods? In France, these foods are few and expensive. Inevitably this must change - when electric refrigeration becomes more general.

"In our household, I have waged a long fight in behalf of frozen foods. When I used to suggest to our cook that he make more use of our freezer, he would protest, 'Why, Madame? I have only to walk six blocks to get something

There are fanatics who travel to France for the butter. Experts can tell the source of a kilo of butter by looking at it, Any respectable Parisian merchant who deals in butter, eggs and cheese will offer 10 or more different types of butier. Yet, the duchess, apparently inured to France's bounty, was happy to get her hutter shipped in from overseas. "Dearest Anita," writes the duchess from her country place. "I can't thank you enough for the five tins of hutter. Please tell us how much I owe you for it - I cannot accept it as a present really, otherwise I could never ask you to send us any more.

The duke was not a dedicated food person, preferring more intellectual pursuits, "I have a collection of cookbooks," she discloses, "which I read as avidly as the duke, who will never shake the sand out of his shoes, reads the National Geographic,

It would appear that the worldly Mrs. Simpson was

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The Duke and Duchess of Windsor: Did her kitchen skills help win his heart? "I can still see David's warm smile," she wrote, after he had one of her salads.

eager to show the prince, whom she called David, her domestic side early on. Preparing to write her articles, she came across "a folder of recipes tied together with a bit of pink cord, the cover of which was marked Salads. Nov.

"This," she writes, "I had fixed, at the Duke's request, lor his cook at the Fort, his country house at Sunningdale. The cook, I suspect, was not too pleased at a woman interfering. But I can still see David's warm smile."

Turning philosophical — or perhaps just planning thead — she muses, "It is not a simple matter for any bachelor to run a house, even though he be a prince with a staff to serve him." Edward was the Prince of Wales when they met. He became Edward VIII on the death of his father. George V. and Duke of Windsor after his abdica-

In later years, the ducal pair often gave buffer suppers. "The huffet," she wrote, "is the most fun party." A typical Windsor buffet included a cold lobster mousse with Sauce Liberal, hot carried eggs, the old dependable Salade Russe and Gateau Egyptian, The Sauce Liberal may have had something to do with

the fun. "Mix into good mayonnaise enough catsup to colour the mayonnaise a pale pink. Add Worcestershire sauce, lemon juice and heavy fresh cream to taste. "Lastly, add a good quantity of gin."

007 Dalton as Rhett?

The Casting Continues Tara upon Thames? The produc er of the CBS minusenes "Scarlett" says he is close to signing Timothy Delton, the occasional James Bond, to play Rhett Butler to Jounne Whater Kilmer's Scarlett O'Hara. The eight-hour project is based on Alexandra Ripley's sequel to Mar-gares billschell's epic of the Old-South, "Gone With the Wind," Both Dulton and Whalley-Kilmer are British Robert Halam Sr., the pro-ducer, has east Sir John Gleigad as Scarlett's Irish grandfather.

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A scolptress who turned a terraced house into a concrete manso-. leure in London East End was simultaneously named best and worst artist of the year. Rachel Whiteread carried off the country's most harrative award for the visual arts: the £20.000 (\$30.000) Turner Prize. Then a group of rock musicians calling themselves the K. Foundation, macking Britain's avant-garde arts scene decided to award Whiteread their own prize for the year's worst creation.

Zistog Yisson, who often has trouble getting his movies screened in China, has received the Golden for "The Story of Qua Ju."

Gore Vidal has canceled his appearance at the annual Adelaide Writers' Week because Australia's insurgration laws require him to apply for a visa. Organizers said they would reptace him with "an equally doesn't think he is more important than the manigration laws."

Surrounded by security guards and with the author Susan Soutag acting as what he referred to as "my beard," Salasan Rushdie emerged from hiding to receive an honorary post as visiting professor at the Mas-suciarsetts Institute of Technology. Rushelic was forced underground nearly five years ago after the Aya-tolish Raholish Khomeini of Iran condemned his book "The Satanic Verses" and sentenced him to death.

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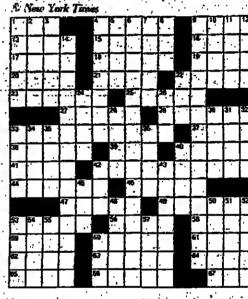
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